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## Students Seeking Solutions

*Mattapoisett Land Trust*

**By Mick Colageo**

A group comprised of 31 Old Rochester Regional Marine Biology students from the junior and sophomore classes converged on Nantucket Monday morning to get a taste of the fieldwork being done by scientists working to find solutions for ecological problems threatening marine life.

What the students are already being taught is that the rubber of those problems is meeting the road of their world. Monday's field trip provided an opportunity to get an up-close and personal look at what a career in Marine Biology looks, sounds and feels like.

"It's really cool and interesting how they can clean the water, filter the sand, as well as making algae, and being able to understand which algae is best for their (shellfish)," said Selena Pratt, a 16-year-old ORR sophomore from Marion who had already visited the oyster hatchery on Martha's Vineyard. "They're still learning because we don't know everything about the ocean."

The trip, arranged by the Mattapoisett Land Trust and attended by representatives Ellen Flynn, Mary Cabral, Colleen Andrews and Cindy Turse, was accompanied by ORR staff, including ORR Marine Biology teacher Lynn Connor, staff Paul Gilbeault, Lindsay Deignan and Jill Grant and parent chaperones Erin Braman and Tom Friedman.

"We live by the ocean, so it's nice to see that we're exploring our surroundings a little bit more and digging deeper into those problems like the algae blooming," said Reese Souza, a 17-year-old ORR junior from Rochester. "I think it's important to educate the public on the problems with the ocean that are occurring right now ... while they're still in that infancy stage before they take out other populations of fish."

***On the Cover:** Old Rochester Regional junior Connie Friedman of Marion gets a look through a refractometer that measures salinity in water. The salt-measuring exercise was part of the many experiences that 31 Marine Biology students from ORR's junior and sophomore classes got during Monday morning's field trip with the Mattapoisett Land Trust to visit Nantucket's Shellfish Hatchery and the UMass Boston Field Station. Photo courtesy of Lynn Connor*

Shellfish Hatchery, while the other half of the students worked under the supervision of Yvonne Valencourt, director of the UMass Boston Field Station located across town.

Upon visiting a crowded room full of tanks with adult scallops, Freeman told the group, "Anything in science, you need to be okay with being uncomfortable in

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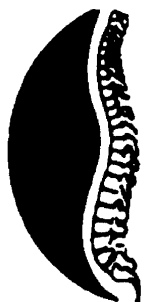
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nature," and, "You need to get used to bad smells." She also advised the group visiting the hatchery to get scuba certified, estimating 60 planned dives this year, including 20 over the next two weeks.

Students in the field-station group explored trails, arriving at the beach where they collected water samples and then examined them under microscopes.

"We took water samples from a little pond, a stream and the ocean, and then we measured the ocean for salinity," said ORR junior Connie Friedman, 17, of Marion. "Everybody got a different sample from the three areas that we went to."

The point of the closer look was to identify bugs. "There were bugs that could survive pollution and there were ones that couldn't... I found some of the ones that couldn't survive the pollution, which was a good sign," said Friedman, who is looking to attend the University of New Hampshire and has been interested in Marine Biology since she worked with Terrapin turtles as a child.

Connor, who accompanied students visiting the Field Station, said those students took a watershed hike through a stream area before reaching a swamp area with a small vernal pool. After water samples were taken at each location, the walk continued to the beach where Valencourt took a plankton sample.

"It's good, it's real good. There are other solutions, but this is definitely a viable one," said Elijah Batty, a SMEC student from Lakeville who is taking math and Marine Biology at ORR.

While the three hours spent on Nantucket afforded the students a little downtime to walk the town and find some ice cream or pizza, the trip reinforced Pratt's appetite for more knowledge of the ocean.

"Even if you're out of school, you're still learning about the world," she said. "I would enjoy learning about the ocean, trying to figure out a way to stop human - not just human problems, what we're causing to the ocean such as adding too much carbon dioxide - and if the algae blooms aren't growing, they can't do photosynthesis, therefore they can't take out the carbon dioxide. ... So the (potential hydrogen) levels are higher, and I would find it fascinating to be able to fix that."

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### Partridge Plumage Matches Earth Below

By George B. Emmons

The Ground Nesting Partridge in spring is hard to locate and identify because the color of its plumage is camouflaged with one of two earthly color phases.

Here in New England, the Partridge feathers match the dark gray shadows of the surrounding conifer forest. Further south, the Partridge plumage has a rusty

cast to match the brick-colored, red-earth shade of more colorful soil below the Mason Dixon line. Either one of the two Partridge camouflaged shades can readily be



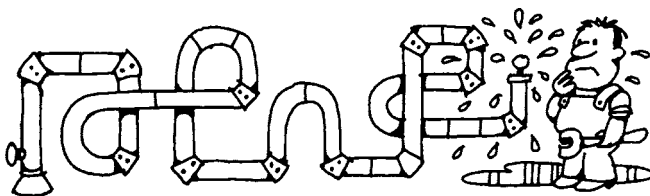
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The mother Partridge, out of habit, builds a bowl-shaped nest of sticks so she can pluck loose vegetation into it because it probably contains high-level protein and rich vitamins to grow on and develop into bigger fledglings.

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The plump Partridge has a cocky crest on its head and a tail marked with a broad, dark band near the tip, which when displayed gives the displaying male a rich, black ruff around the neck, giving it the well-known other name of "Ruffed Grouse."

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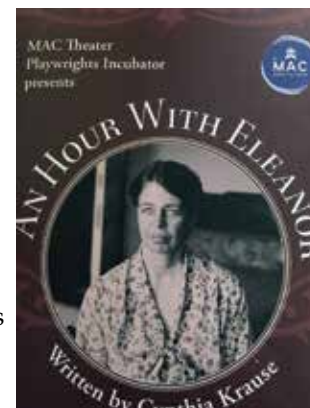
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Equal to the character she portrayed for an hour on May 13 in a one-woman performance, Linda Monchik of Marion took us on Eleanor's journey from shy lonely child to world-renowned, human-rights advocate. The title is "An Hour with Eleanor."

This performance is the first in in a series of Marion Art Center Theater Playwrights Incubator productions.

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Under the direction of Maura Barry Van Voris and Richard Van Voris (daughter and father), Monchik’s flawless telling of Eleanor’s life in the first person was tender, humorous, sorrowful and profound.

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events, sometimes to the chagrin of her husband, you know, the President. President Roosevelt.

His presence in the play is there, of course, but the "hour" hardly long enough to cover one political event Eleanor participated in, never mind a quarter century of the country's history, is a telling of life lived through her experiences, not his. In the hands of Krause and Monchik, it is masterfully crafted.

If you are not of an age to remember Eleanor when she walked amongst us, you'll get an enjoyable history lesson.

This lady, who was born into privilege, never felt wanted or loved. With the passing of her father (Teddy Roosevelt's brother), she went to live with her grandmother. Her father was an alcoholic far removed from caring about the small child he had fathered as told in this anecdote: "Father took me to the Knickerbocker and told me to wait on the step, he'd be right back." Four hours later, the doorman arranged for the four-year-old Eleanor to be sent home.

One can only imagine what early, inner fortitude she possessed. Krause's words spoken by Monchik left us deeply moved.

And while there were many moments when we were left wondering where Eleanor found the strength to persevere, there was humor as well. But methinks the humor came when Eleanor was able to best naysayers.

One singular event, the development of the United Nations, speaks volumes to Eleanor's brilliant, possibly superior ability to bring disparate parties together, find the common ground and work together for the good of all.

"My job was to be useful," she is quoted as saying.

Indeed. She was the first (and only for a long time) woman who helped create the U.N. Universal Declaration of Human Rights and later became the first chair of the United Nations Commission on Human Rights. Eleanor spent many years both before President Roosevelt's death and after working on projects intended to improve the lives of those whose voice was not often heard. Such groups as the League of Women Voters,

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Today, the following would be just a small footnote to Eleanor's history, but in 1940 she was successful in securing freedom for 83 Jewish refugees. She knew it wasn't enough, but for those who were spared a death sentence, it was.

Krause didn't shy away from the personal and painful moments when Eleanor questioned President Roosevelt's faithfulness and then the ultimate betrayal. It is all there in emotions worn by Monchik to perfection. You want to cry at the reality of her passionless marriage and daughter Anne's part of organizing trysts for President Roosevelt with his longtime paramour, but in the next moment experience the joy and freedom the grand lady knew through her work and her relationships.

Whether you know the story of Eleanor Roosevelt or only recently heard her name, do yourself a favor and see this play. The writer, directors and the actress have prepared a feast for you.

The next and final performance is scheduled for Sunday, May 28, at 2:00 pm. For tickets, visit [MarionArtCenter.org](http://MarionArtCenter.org).

### A Rail Trail of Ideas

*Thoughts on...*

**By Dick Morgado**

The missus and I ventured down to the finally

opened "Shining Tides Mile" section of the Mattapoissett Rail Trail. As an original skeptic, the curmudgeon in me wants to say something critical about it, such as the peace and quiet we once experienced walking along the dirt railroad bed communing with nature in peace and quiet is no more.

The views are beautiful, though I remain saddened that the gigantic steel superstructure dominates the perimeter of the beach. If one stays on the boardwalk and ignores the speeding cyclists whizzing by your ear - they ought to be required to ring a bell as they approach from the rear - sharing the spectacular vistas with the cyclists, joggers and walkers is an afternoon is well spent.

A walk along the trail is a great place to get away from the incessant talk about the 2024 presidential election, which the media is already dominating the news cycle by reporting early polls. I trust you will also agree that it is much too early to talk about Christmas, though I expect stores will be putting out holiday merchandise in the next month or two. But, is it too early to talk about New Years Eve? Hear me out.

I suspect people are already dreaming of cross-country skiing or snowshoeing on the trail ... assuming we ever get snow again. I have an idea that can make the boardwalk an idea venue to celebrate the New Year. Boston has its First Night, New Bedford has its own celebration and Newport has its Water Fire. Why not Mattapoissett? We could call it "First Night Mattapoissett."

Imagine the whole community ... families, mom, dads, kids, grandparents, seniors walking the trail on New Year's Eve. Town organizations could sponsor sections setting up hot chocolate or cider stations along the boardwalk. Restaurants could offer food as they do at the "Taste of the Town," or food trucks might provide refreshments.

A deejay or the Old Hammondtown School Band could supply music. (Auld Lang Syne at midnight might be a nice touch, wouldn't you agree?) Generators could be placed under the boardwalk to provide power. Temporary lighting could be set up. (Solar lights embedded in the railings for nighttime walks wouldn't be a bad idea anyway.)

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A New Year celebration along the Rail Trail is not unprecedented. One town that I am familiar with has been doing it for several years. (Ya, I confess I stole the idea.) They set up fire pits along the trail for roasting marshmallows. Instead of firepits, we could have the Fire Department start mini-bonfires along the beach for warming.

At midnight, all the revelers could stand at the railing and watch a laser show or better yet, a gigantic fireworks display over the west harbor. (Like they did over the town beach when I was a boy.) You've got to think big.

Now you may ask, how do we pay for all this? I don't know. I'm just the idea guy. That town I mentioned, they use volunteers, private citizens, civic organizations and a few deep-pocketed benefactors.

Here is one idea, we could have a footrace in the fall along the Rail Trail from Fairhaven to the village, entry fees to pay some expenses, for example. We could call it the "Boardwalk Blister Mini Marathon." Well, we can work on that.

Perhaps some group could "sell" boardwalk planks like the engraved bricks at Shipyard Park. The buyer would get a small brass plaque with their name engraved attached to their plank. Well, that's all I have. Do you expect me to think of everything?

If "First Night Mattapoisett" comes to pass, I might just stay up past my 9:00 pm bedtime.

*Editor's note: Mattapoisett resident Dick Morgado is an artist and retired newspaper columnist whose musings are, after some years, back in The Wanderer under the subtitle "Thoughts on ...." Morgado's opinions have also appeared for many years in daily newspapers around Boston.*

## Tour de Crème Set for Sunday

By Jeffrey D. Wagner

Ice cream and bike rides aren't usually a common partnership, but Mattapoisett has found a way to pair the two.

The Tour de Creme, a once annual event that encourages bike riding and free ice cream, was shut down

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thanks to Covid-19. But now, the local land trust and bike committee will be serving up this fun again on Sunday, May 21.

The Mattapoisett Land Trust and the Friends of the Mattapoisett Rail Trail are teaming up for this bike-ride fundraiser that will generate funding for more outdoor recreational opportunities.

MLT Community Engagement and Stewardship Manager Colleen Andrews said (as of Monday, May 15) there are more than 400 bike riders registered. Some will ride a 40-mile route at 10:00 am, some will take a 24-mile trek at 11:00 am and some will take a 9-mile ride at 12:00 pm.

Riders will leave from Mattapoisett Town Beach

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and should be back at 1:00 pm at nearby Munro Preserve for a community event that will feature a food truck and cart, live music, beer and – of course – ice cream.

The event is named appropriately – riders are encouraged to stop by local creameries while riding and enjoy a free scoop or two. Creameries are offering up these scoops for the riders.

Depending on the route, riders will be going through Rochester, Acushnet, Freetown and Marion along the way.

“We’re doing the same sort of thing we’ve done before,” Andrews said.

Andrews said that the two groups worked together for consecutive years but have not held this event since 2019. With the new bike path open, the land trust and bike committee hope to continue hosting this annual event after the four-year hiatus.

All proceeds go toward Mattapoisett Land Trust and bike-path initiatives, such as improving the safety of the path, as well as building and placing benches along the routes.

“We have similar goals between the two organizations – providing outdoor space and recreation,” Andrews said.

According to the Mattapoisett Rail Trail website, the partially completed, 4.5-mile bike path runs along Buzzards Bay and through Mattapoisett. It then runs into some of the neighboring South Coast communities,

providing riders with scenic waterfronts and quaint, wooded views.

*Editor’s note: The Wanderer invited candidates in contested races (more candidates than open seats) to write up to 350 words explaining their candidacy for elected offices. The 2023 Rochester Town Election will be held on Wednesday, May 24. Mattapoisett and Marion candidates appeared in the May 11 Wanderer. Today, we present Rochester candidates. Questions submitted by the League of Women Voters South Coast helped provide talking points for the candidates.*

## Rochester Select Board

Two (2) candidates are on the Rochester Town Election ballot for one (1) open seat on the Select Board.

### Greenwood Hartley III, Incumbent

Citizens of Rochester, in 2017 you chose me to serve on your Select Board. Since then, I’ve been working with not only my other Select Board members, but all the elected and appointed officials of Rochester to make significant progress in many areas, including: (1) Establish and appoint a Capital Planning Committee to work with department heads and identify and fund projects based on town-wide priorities; (2) Design and appoint a diverse and qualified Public Safety Feasibility Study Committee to review our fire and police buildings and prepare a plan for the future; (3) Protect our natural resources and expand public water supplies; (4) Implement Electrical Aggregation to reduce electrical rates; (5) Secure over \$450,000 in grants for improvements in energy efficiency that is resulting in annual savings of over \$20,000/year; (6) Secure additional grants for police, fire, Council on Aging, Library and other departments – all projects to improve services and reduce costs; (7) Resurrect the Personnel Board and charged them with reviewing and updating our By-Laws and Job Descriptions. The Select Board should lead, generate ideas, update and refine procedures and policies and propose new possibilities and advocate for improvement. Some of these opportunities



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had been overlooked by previous boards, but at my suggestion were reconsidered and implemented. Your Select Board and Town Government in general is far more proactive now that I'm involved. I have a track record of leading our town forward. I have made a difference and if re-elected I will continue to do so. Rochester is a special place to live. The people who move here, as well as those who have been here for generations, understand that. So do I. The town will continue to grow and change. When guiding that change there is no substitute for experience, trust and communication. I'm proud of Rochester. We are heading in the right direction. Your Select Board is better with me as a member. Please honor me with your vote on May 24.

#### **Adam Murphy, Challenger**

I have been fortunate to be born and raised in the Town of Rochester, married to Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner Jessica Murphy and father of Hailey and Adam Jr. Along with Rochester-based Tri-Town Service trucking and Murphy's Auto Salvage Inc., I have dedicated the past 20 years to public safety. As Marion's deputy harbormaster and certified patrol officer for the Marion Police Department, I work on the annual budget, assist and protect boaters, other local agencies and the U.S. Coast Guard and MA Department of Fisheries and Wildlife, and write grants



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that help offset department needs. Most recently, we secured \$1,600,000 toward the \$3,500,000 Maritime Center. In 2022, I was appointed to Rochester's new Personnel Board and elected chairman. The opportunity to collaborate with department heads and other town officials and hear town employees' concerns inspires me to propose that all committee chairpersons meet to better connect our boards to the community. I want to be a conduit to champion the public's interests. Despite recent growth, Rochester lacks commercial-tax revenue to help offset budget increases. To realize our revised Master Plan, one of my goals is to find new ways to obtain grants for future capital projects. The town is conducting a feasibility study of the Police and Fire facilities. If elected, I will recommend that an outside agency completes an evaluation to determine the needs of each department and provide recommendations. I will also request an open house providing town residents the opportunity to tour current facilities. Workspace vacated by Rochester's participation in the regional 911 service can be renovated as capital projects and salvaged. I want to understand more on the proposed \$9,000,000, 6,000 square-foot addition to the Police Station. If elected, I will do my due diligence to get answers to the important questions before decisions are made. My background in public safety and working for a municipality have afforded me knowledge in town government and make me an ideal candidate. In this election, you have an opportunity to bring a new, fresh and vibrant insight to the Select Board. I ask for your vote on May 24.

### ORR School Committee

*Editor's note: The Old Rochester Regional School Committee has races for open seats this year in all three of the Tri-Towns. This week we present two candidates for one open seat in Rochester. Marion and Mattapoissett candidates for ORR School Committee seats appeared in the May 11 issue of The Wanderer.*

#### James O'Brien, Rochester Challenger

Hello! My name is James "Jim" O'Brien and I am running for the Old Rochester Regional School Committee. I spent my 35-year career at the forefront

of education, developing and implementing innovative and unique educational programs designed to advance students. I retired as superintendent of Greater New Bedford Voc-Tech. I served as chair of the ORR School Committee, Chair of SMEC Board of Directors and have coached both youth and high school level sports programs. I am the father of two beautiful, brilliant daughters who have benefited greatly from the Old Rochester Regional School District. There is not a piece of the educational system I have not seen, and this is why I am the best fit for this job.

I demonstrate: realistic expectations (knowledge of what can and cannot be changed); deep respect for teachers, administration, students, and committee members; commitment to work on issues that truly matter; eagerness to work with, not against, others to come to compromise and resolution; and mastery of state laws and DESE requirements that must be complied with. We all have a responsibility to serve our community, and I know I can best serve mine with my ability to listen and facilitate meaningful conversations to ensure students, families, staff, and administration all feel supported. My ability to work as a conduit between fellow committee members, the community, parents, teachers, and school administration will bring everyone together for the best interest of our students. Vote Jim O'Brien on May 24 for ORR School Committee.

#### Joe Pires, Rochester Incumbent

I am proud to say that I have lived in a great community with wonderful people in Rochester for over 21 years. It has been a blessing to have been able to raise children in a community that promotes good morals, values and respect for each other. My commitment to the school community is rooted in my belief that every student deserves a safe and academically enriching environment to learn and grow. I am an honest individual who values transparency and open communication. I am deeply committed to the safety and well-being of our children. I believe that we must take a proactive approach to ensuring that our schools are safe and secure, and I will work tirelessly to advocate for policies and procedures that prioritize student safety. Every student deserves a high-quality education. I will



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work diligently to ensure that our schools are providing students with the resources, tools and support they need to thrive academically. We need to become more efficient on where our tax dollars are spent. We need to ensure that our schools have the resources to retain our school teachers, faculty and staff. We cannot afford to lose talented educators who are invested in the success of our students. As a candidate who is a minority, I understand that it is important to focus on making decisions that will benefit everyone, not just a select few. By prioritizing the needs of the entire community, you can ensure that every student has access to the resources and support they need to thrive. I am committed to making thoughtful, responsible decisions that will benefit everyone. Above all, I am someone who stands up for what is right, even in the face of opposition. I believe that the School Committee has a responsibility to do what is in the best interests of our students and our community. I looked forward to continuing to serve our school community as a member of the ORR School Committee. Please vote to "Re-elect Joe Pires" for ORR School Committee! Sincerely, Joe Pires

### Rochester Planning Board

*Three (3) candidates are on the Rochester Town Election ballot for two (2) open seats on the Planning Board. Incumbent John Demaggio did not respond to the Wanderer's invitation to participate in this format.*

### Bendrix Bailey, Incumbent

My name is Bendrix Bailey and I am running for a fourth term on the Planning Board. Experience, consistency and continuity are the three pillars of an effective member of the Planning Board. In addition to hundreds of pages of State and Town laws and rules, there are bi-weekly packages of plans and applications a member must be able to understand and respond to. As a personal matter, I have been a Rochester resident since 1985 and serve on both Planning and Conservation. This year I initiated a Citizens Petition to remove Rochester from



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the Green Communities program and the burdensome, wasteful and expensive SMART building codes. In the coming year, I will research and initiate a zoning change, making it commercially attractive for developers to construct housing for seniors. It will be a Free Market solution, not a government-funded morass. I was asked what my first choice would be for the use, if provided, of a \$1,000,000 grant. It would be roads and infrastructure which are somewhat neglected for lack of funds. But honestly, why wait for a handout from the state. We can work those problems now. Please vote for me on May 24. Thank you.

### Dennis McCarthy, Challenger

My name is Dennis McCarthy. I have lived in Rochester for over 20 years with my wife as we raised our six children. Prior to coming here, I served eight years on active duty as an Explosive Ordnance Disposal technician in the Army. I am running for Planning Board because I believe that I can bring a well needed perspective to the board. For the past 20 years, I have developed and built commercial properties in Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Maine. I think the experience that I have bringing towns and developers together for a common goal can be used right here in



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town as we face some very big decisions in the near future. The town has a large apartment and commercial complex starting construction on Route 28, Police and Fire station additions/replacements and a technical high school that is looking to expand. These projects require someone with experience in navigating the complex issues related to permitting and construction. Rochester is a small town with small-town values. That's why many of us moved here. We do not have the tax base that other towns have, and this has to be kept in mind when projects come up. There are ways to attract development that are beneficial to the town, and this is where my experience can help. Because I have been in the commercial construction business for so long, I can look at some of the bids and make sure that we are getting a fair price and a quality job. The other thing that needs attention is affordable housing. Our seniors and young families are being priced right out of town. We need to come up with a comprehensive plan for more affordable housing. Seniors are the soul of this town and young families are its future, so let's act now to keep both those groups here.

### Rochester School Committee

*Editor's note: Four (4) candidates are on the ballot for two (2) open seats on the Rochester School Committee.*

### Kate Duggan, Incumbent

My name is Kate Duggan and I am a candidate

for re-election to the RMS School Committee for a second three-year term. I've lived in Rochester for 13 years and my husband and I have two children attending RMS. As current chair of the Rochester Cultural Council, a parent member of the RMS PTO and volunteer for many other groups, I am an active contributor to enriching life in Rochester. I hold a Masters degree in Education and work for a major university in the area of grant development and strategy. I've applied all of my life and professional experiences to my service on the RMS School Committee and look forward to continuing to deliver on the promise of an excellent public education in our town. I am always well prepared for RMS School Committee and subcommittee meetings, and I bring thorough reports and updates on what's going on with the Early Childhood Council, Policy Subcommittee, and the Massachusetts Association of School Committees (MASC). Given my experience and perspective, I believe we need to continue efforts to address learning loss coming out of the pandemic. Last year, the RMS School Committee allocated funds for a review of the literacy curriculum, and I am hopeful this effort will be particularly helpful for the children currently in Pre-K who may be running a bit behind in Kindergarten readiness due to effects of the pandemic. Additionally, the committee must continue to allocate sufficient funding to repair or replace computers regularly; our students live in a connected world and need to build these skills for their future studies and employment. Finally, another of my priorities as a School Committee member is to work with the entire Rochester community to build a welcoming school environment for all students, teachers and staff. As a parent, I am extremely invested in making sure RMS is a safe, supportive environment for my kids and their classmates to learn and thrive. I show up, put in the work and, with your support, will continue to do so for the next three years. Thank you for your consideration.



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## Anne Fernandes, Incumbent

My name is Anne Fernandes, and I am an incumbent running for a third term on the Rochester Memorial School Committee. I have a Master's in Special Education and a Certificate of Advanced Graduate Study in Educational Leadership. I have served for 22 years as a paraprofessional, a classroom teacher, a Reading Recovery teacher, and a Special Education teacher in three local elementary schools. As a representative, I have collaborated on teams negotiating teachers' and paraprofessionals' contracts, the Budget Subcommittee, Capitol Planning, the Joint School Committee, board member of the Southeastern Massachusetts Educational Collaborative (SMEC), the superintendent's review process, the hiring teams for our current superintendent and assistant superintendent of Teaching and Learning, and the development of the Strategic Plan. I have championed the district's decision in its pursuit of the new Literacy approach espoused in the Science of Reading for staff and students. Literacy instruction based on this evidence-based practice is a win for all students including those with decoding struggles. I affirm our district's use of Responsive Classroom as a Social Emotional Learning approach in cooperation,





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in the committee's Policy AB and evidenced during February of 2022 when parents gave input regarding the rescission of the mask mandate. That was powerful! Given the continued opportunity to represent you on this Committee, I will work towards including parents and community members in decision-making, assuring your parental rights, school safety, and academics for all students. Please vote in Rochester's Town Election on Wednesday, May 24.

### **Gregory Hardy, Challenger**

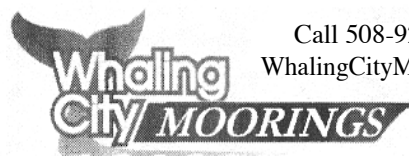
I'm the son of a retired teacher and grew up in the town of Acushnet where I attended elementary and junior high before moving on and graduating from New Bedford High School. In 2017 my family and I decided to move to the great town of Rochester for several reasons. We knew about the great school system Rochester



had to offer and we also have close family who have lived in town for over 30 years. My wife and I have two kids that currently attend RMS, and according to staff members they are both well liked and great students. As a youth coach, I've always taken the approach of treating every child equally, working towards improvement and building confidence. I've always taken a strong interest in everything my kids do, and their education is no different. I regularly attend School Committee meetings for RMS and ORR. Committee members need to work together, support each other and make sure that all sides of the issues are heard and recognized. Common sense needs to prevail, and a middle ground needs to be found on dividing issues. If elected, I would also like to advance school safety at RMS, especially in the form of private security or a resource officer. Next year's RMS proposed budget is over \$6,700,000. I would be happy to work with the administration on adjusting the budget for improved school safety. I believe that we need more balance on our school committees. Our students lost valuable time during Covid, and I believe it's also important to stay focused on academic achievement. Studies also show that

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### Sydney Teixeira, Challenger

My name is Sydney Teixeira and I am running for the Rochester Memorial School Committee. One of the reasons I am running is to add to the perspectives that the current School Committee has because I understand the pressures that students face both in and outside the classroom. I can provide insights that other School Committee members have not experienced. As an ORR alum, I experienced the incorporation of technology into education like no other School Committee members have. I understand the stresses associated with preparing and taking standardized tests like the MCAS throughout elementary, middle and high school. I also have experience as a college mentor with a focus on organizing a program geared towards fostering a sense of belonging, increasing mental wellbeing, and promoting academic success within first-year students in my biology program. I want to continue our efforts on ensuring students are entering and leaving our school, excited to learn, and feeling comfortable and safe both in the classroom and on the buses. I would like to collaborate with our fellow School Committee members to ensure that our budget aligns with the needs of our teachers. We need to provide our educators with the necessary tools and resources to help our students reach their learning goals. I want your students to know that they deserve to feel accepted by their friends, peers and school staff and faculty regardless of their skin color, gender identity or beliefs. In addition, we need to stress the importance of positive student-teacher relationships and the impact that it makes on a child's social and emotional wellbeing. As a community, we need to work together to ensure that all students are happy, eager and supported at RMS because a happy



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### Trustees of Rochester Public Library

*Editor's note: Three (3) candidates are on the Rochester Town Election ballot for two (2) open seats on the Trustees of the Public Library. None of the three is an incumbent.*

#### Heather Alford

With the new library director, I feel there's new energy around the library and I would love the opportunity to play a part in overseeing the library activities, helping Kristen to get her objectives accomplished, and being a voice for my community in bringing some exciting new programming for all ages to the library and help make it more of the community hub it deserves to be. Our library is a hidden gem!



#### Jane Taylor

I am seeking a position on the Board of Trustees of the Joseph H. Plumb Memorial Library to give back to a town resource that has given so much to me. Early on, the library was a great resource to us as we renovated the old farmhouse we had purchased. We were able to access information on the period in which the house was built and, in the process, learned a lot about the history of the town. My involvement with the new library began with moving books from the old Town Hall location to the newly built Joseph H. Plumb Memorial library. Shortly after, having joined the Rochester Women's Club, I brought the idea of a Children's Story hour to the membership. We hoped to staff the story hour on a rotating basis with club members as volunteer readers. With an enthusiastic response, I met with Mrs. Olive B. Winslow, longtime librarian at the time, who gave us the go ahead. In my long career in education - teaching children, educating teachers from preschool to college, and for 23 years as



Old Rochester Regional School District's Early Childhood coordinator and a developer of Project GROW, I attained a strong connection with and understanding of the needs of Tri-Town children and their families. Through grant opportunities available in the Early Childhood office, I was able to collaborate with the library, helping to build the children's and parenting book collections. More recently, now reading almost exclusively for pleasure, I greatly appreciated the creativity of our talented library staff in providing books to patrons throughout the pandemic. This service was a welcomed oasis in that stressful time. Now that I am retired, I have the time to help support our new library director and to give back to this valuable town institution. I have always enjoyed helping to develop new services and start up new programs. Having lived in town for 50 years has given me a perspective of its growth and development over time. I would like to help that growth and development of library services continue as a library trustee.

#### Sarah Verbyla

My name is Sarah Verbyla and I am running for the position of Joseph H. Plumb Library Trustee. I have been a resident of Rochester for six years and a lifelong patron of libraries. I believe that libraries are an important resource intended to serve the entire community. I am running in order to help and guide the library in its mission to serve "all segments of the community," "reflecting many points of view." I am a licensed pharmacist, having worked in the hospital setting for seven years before transitioning to the IT department of a local healthcare system four years ago. From being a pharmacist, I have learned that sometimes "I don't know, let me look into it," is the best answer at a given moment. Working in IT has taught me there is no such thing as making a decision in a vacuum. Every decision affects the whole system in some way, and it is important to understand the potential implications of a decision. Both of these qualities would be brought into my role as Library trustee. If elected, top priorities would be to work on areas of weakness identified in the library five-year plan for 2021-26. Of particular interest to me are working to increase programming attendance, expand the library of things, and increase millennial outreach. Libraries have transformed into so much more than just a place to get books, and I would love to help further that transformation to become an even greater resource for our community. Thank you so much for your consideration.



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### Marion Incumbents Decisive in Victory

*Town of Marion Election*

**By Jeffrey D. Wagner**

There were two races heading into the May 12 town election and incumbents on the Old Rochester

Regional School Committee and the local town school committee were successful.

Margaret McSweeney took 469 votes to defeat challenger Jennifer Marie-Zora Stewart, who netted 190 votes.

"I am grateful that Marion reelected me so that I can continue to do this meaningful work," McSweeney said after the vote. "I look forward to continuing to collaborate with the administration, the staff of our schools and my fellow School Committee members to make sure that our school district is one that is safe, supportive and equitable for all."

On the Marion School Committee, incumbents Nichole Nye McGaffey and Mary Beauregard retained their seats against challenger Mirian Nawoichik. McGaffey, and Beauregard received 479 and 465 votes, respectively. Nawoichik received 167 votes.

Reached after the election, McGaffey said she was honored to be reelected and working with the "amazing" school administration, parents, staff and other stakeholders. She said she is excited that the committee voted on appointing a school resource officer for the next school year.

McGaffey last year ran as a write-in candidate when no one had stepped up to become an official candidate. McGaffey will start her first full term on the board.

"The parents are really involved, and we

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appreciate the feedback we get from them," she said. "Everyone is really involved and super passionate about their children getting the best possible education they can."

Beauregard was elected in 2020 and now serves on the Policy and Equity subcommittees, the Joint School Committee and as the Marion representative for the Massachusetts Association of School Committees.

"I'm so grateful that Marion voters decided to let me continue serving. Thank you to those who value and support our work," Beauregard said.

All other candidates ran uncontested.

Norm Hills, first elected in 2017, ran unopposed and will start his third term on the Select Board. He



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received 532 votes.

The Planning Board will have two new members after Hills and Chris Collings retired from their seats at the end of their terms. Incumbent Eileen Marum received 444 votes, and newcomers Ryan Burke received 460 and William Dale Jones 390. There were three open seats and no races.

On the Board of Health, appointed incumbent Albin Johnson, who is also a founding member of the board, was the lone candidate and received 521 votes.

Incumbent Pat DeCosta took 545 votes as the only candidate for a three-year Board of Assessors position.

Peter Winters, a recent appointee, took 523 votes as the sole candidate for a two-year Board of Assessors post.

Out of the town's approximate 4,459 registered voters, 671 residents cast a ballot.

### Macallister Reelected to Select Board

*Mattapoisett Town Election*

**By Marilou Newell and Mick Colageo**

The May 16 Mattapoisett Town Election found incumbent Tyler Macallister winning a three-year term to remain a Select Board member, defeating first-time opponent Catherine Heuberger.

Macallister received 1,252 votes to Heuberger's 408. Word on the street was the race would be much tighter, given the third candidate, Brian Connelly, might split the vote, making it possible for Heuberger to win without getting a majority of all who cast votes on this night. With Macallister's vote advantage, Connelly's 245 votes did not factor in the outcome.

After the results were announced, Heuberger congratulated Macallister. She shared with *The Wanderer*, "I'm a bit relieved ... it was a lot of work." When asked if she would try again in the future, she responded with a smile and chuckle saying, "I wouldn't put my family or coworkers through that again." Heuberger said it was a good experience, one that she'll remember for a long time.

Macallister expressed his appreciation at being reelected this way: "I'll have a chance to continue working on projects such as the wharf," an improvement project

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that has been brewing for nearly 10 years. He also said that now that the UMass Boston Collins Center report on school-consolidation options have been released, the material contained therein will be helpful as the Select Board and Mattapoisett School Committee continue to study ways to keep school costs from pushing a tax burden on the residents.

During a 27-hour period that began with the Collins Center's conclusion that school consolidation won't save money and concluding with Tuesday night's successful reelection campaign, Mattapoisett School Committee Chairperson Carly Lavin hasn't broken stride.

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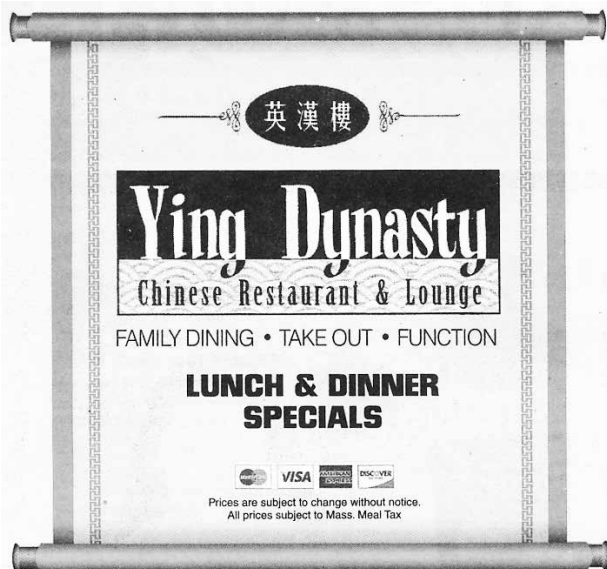
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non-school community. It affects us in making sure that we have a thriving community so I'm excited about helping continue that work," said Lavin after garnering 1,270 votes to 657 for challenger David Pierre Jr., who was gracious in defeat.

"Congratulations to Carly ... I wish everybody the best. I know that she is dedicated to the students and families in the community," said Pierre.

Lavin was pleased to learn more than 1,500 registered voters visited Old Hammondtown School to cast ballots.

"To have this large of a voting turnout today tells me that our town is engaged. I think that's great," said Lavin. "We don't all think alike; we don't all have the



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same opinions, but I think we all have a love and a care for the town, and I think if we can center around that and try and move forward. I'm hopeful that we can do what's right to make sure Mattapoisett is as wonderful a place for the future as it is now."

Comparably, ORR School Committee incumbent Frances-Feliz Kearns won with a 1,169-791 margin over challenger Richard Reilly.

In the only other contested race, incumbent Ruth Oliver Jolliffe maintained her seat on the Trustees of the Public Library with 1,366 votes. William Coquillette, who ran unsuccessfully last year, garnered 996 votes to take the other open seat. Paul Criscuolo received 427 votes, while 1,189 ballots were left blank.

In other races not related to schools, Heuberger will return as the town clerk for another three years, receiving 1,507 votes. Raymond Andrews held his position as assessor for another three years in an uncontested race with 1,527 votes.

Water/Sewer Commissioner Daniel Chase was reelected in his uncontested race, receiving 1,498 votes, and unopposed Board of Health incumbent Carmelo Nicolosi was reelected for another three years with 1,489 votes.

A vacant five-year position on the Planning Board went to William Wennerberg, III, uncontested with 1,354 votes. The Mattapoisett Housing Authority kept John Vaughn for another five-year term with 1,451 votes and Community Preservation Committee members Michelle Hughes and Chuck McCullough won their uncontested bids with 1,422 and 1,348 votes, respectively.

With no one on the ballot for town moderator, the winner among 289 write-in votes was not determined on Tuesday night.

The one question on the ballot asked the voters to provide exemption from proposition two and a half, the amount required to pay for the bond issued in order to pay costs of road reconstruction for the Pearl and Oakland streets roadway, including incidental expenses. The vote was 993 yes to 635 no.

## Collins Report: Consolidation Won't Save Money

*Mattapoisett Select Board*

**By Marilou Newell**

On May 15, the Mattapoisett Select Board, along with the Mattapoisett School Committee, met with members of the UMass Boston Collins Center for Public Management to hear their report regarding options for Center and Old Hammondtown elementary schools with respect to potential school consolidation.

Speaking for the Collins Center was Heather Michaud, Public Services manager who has navigated the data-collection process and public-engagement sessions on behalf of the town for nearly a year. She explained the data-collection process, which included both public-engagement meetings where residents were given the opportunity to express their opinions on a wide variety of topics that collectively helped to inform whether or not school consolidation is a direction the town should consider. She said that an online survey also gave residents a voice in the process by sharing their answers to a number of questions geared towards learning just what people valued the most and if school consolidation was viable in their minds. Michaud said that population growth, aging trends and school populations were important data points.

All the data was sifted and studied as options were developed by the center to give the town possible pathways to a solution on the question, should Mattapoisett consolidate schools and reuse its public spaces.

The short answers came towards the end of the hour-long presentation in which Michaud delved into such matters as how Mattapoisett fared when compared to similar school districts in terms of quality of education, program spending, condition of facilities and those all-important population and enrollment trends.

Michaud said that Mattapoisett's schools were rated as in excellent condition, but that neither Center School nor Old Hammondtown School is large enough to serve a combined K-6 population.

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the next 10 years, but there still would not be enough room to put all the classes into one facility; expansion would be required. Costs ranged from \$4,000,000 for partial consolidation to as much as \$80,000,000 to build a completely new school campus.

Maintaining the current status is estimated to cost \$566,000 with a 3% per-year increase. To renovate Center School, the estimate is \$7,000,000, and to renovate Old Hammondtown, the estimate was \$6,700,000. In all cases Michaud said, "There are no rapid solutions ... more study may be needed ... you can consider the options for long-term planning."

Issues such as parking limitations at Center School, the public's desire to maintain Center School as a school versus town offices, quality of services provided and the flood-plain issues at Center School were all touched on.

Michaud said takeaways from the presentation were: Student population will remain stable; Population trends in the general public and schools will not reverse. The town is not spending too much on student services (earlier in the presentation Michaud noted that Mattapoisett was slightly behind its peers on spending); No significant cost savings will be realized through school consolidation; the schools are in excellent condition; and Town Hall's future needs to be studied.

The full report is available now on the town's website, [mattapoisett.net](http://mattapoisett.net).

## Stricter Agenda for Agendas

*Rochester Select Board*

**By Michael J. DeCicco**

Rochester's Board of Selectmen won't find it as easy anymore to bring up topics on the spur of the moment in its meetings.

Town Administrator Glenn Cannon informed the board Monday that the new Town Counsel has said that from now on, every meeting topic must be on the agenda, no exceptions.

To adhere to the state's Open Meeting Law, the Old Business and New Business items on a meeting agenda must never be blank. Board members must call

the town administrator before the closing of the agenda to have a topic placed on the warrant. The selectmen can no longer include "Any Topics the Chairman did not reasonably anticipate would be discussed" on its agendas.

Of the latter requirement, Cannon explained that anything important enough to be a last-minute topic should require an emergency meeting instead.

Select Board Chairman Woody Hartley and member Paul Ciaburri, who attended the meeting in person, and member Brad Morse, who was attending on Zoom, seemed happy with this change.

In answer to Hartley's question seeking clarification, Cannon told the board that should a member request that the town administrator put an issue on the meeting agenda, "I'll be glad to do it."

Cannon was also upbeat in acknowledging that next Monday, May 22, is the date of the Annual Town Meeting, to be held at 7:00 pm at Rochester Memorial School, 16 Pine Street.

"We're excited for it," he said. "It's a big warrant, 32 articles. But we hope to get it done in one night."

The warrant features a \$25,000,000 FY24 budget and a move to cease the town's participation in the Green Communities program and rescind its adoption of the Stretch energy codes that tighten the base building codes in the name of more energy-efficient construction. Proponents of the exit strategy assert that the Stretch Code makes Green Communities participation too expensive, especially for a town studying potential expansion of its public-safety facilities. Other articles will include a move to change the town clerk's position from elected to appointed.

In other business on May 15, the board approved a draft letter to the regional planning agency SRPEDD, requesting assistance for collecting data for a study of Route 28. "This study will make way for a better corridor," Cannon said, noting the review will also affect, positively, Lakeville and Middleboro.

The board reappointed Stanley Moszczenski to the Historical Commission, after he noted in a letter that he had failed to reapply for the seat in time for the last appointment cycle.



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The board appointed Rochester Police officers Don Kemmett and Steve Reimer to provide police details during the Wednesday, May 24, Town Election to be held from 8:00 am to 8:00 pm at the Senior Center on Dexter Lane.

The board voted to not exercise its right to purchase 2.45 acres of Mary's Pond Road under 61A regulations. The board had to revote this action after the property owner's attorney had reported the previous vote did not specify only a portion of a larger parcel.

The next meeting of the Rochester Select Board is scheduled for Tuesday, June 6, at 6:00 pm at Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way.

### Burr Takes Chair

*Marion Select Board*

**By Mick Colageo**

The Marion Select Board shuffled the deck during Tuesday night's public meeting, reorganizing to elect Toby Burr as the new chairman, with Randy Parker becoming vice chairman and Norm Hills clerk. The members' liaison assignments have not changed and will be posted at [marionma.gov](http://marionma.gov).

The brief meeting featured many action items and a short report from Town Administrator Geoff Gorman.

In his report, Gorman updated the Select Board on progress with irrigation at the Cushing Community Center. He reported that the Community Center Working Group is contacting a vendor to add irrigation to the front lawn and to add pavilion items.

It was noted that "the living wall" (plantings) look beautiful. Harry Norweb, who was in attendance, told the board the group had money to install pipes and connected to a hose to get water to the plantings.

In an update on Wells Road, Gorman said he was working with Town Counsel and learned that a portion of the road in question is owned by the state. Representative William Straus is working with the state to provide for discontinuance. Gorman will work with Town Counsel to get an easement process started.

In an update on American Tower Asset Sub LLC to lease a Benson Brook parcel for a cell-phone tower,

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Gorman said that procurement law will require a bidding process. The lease on the parcel ran out in September 2022. Gorman said the best-case scenario will be to miss a month or two of payments. There is no transition period between contracts.

Gorman publicly thanked Facilities Manager Shaun Cormier for his department's work using an ADA Improvement Grant to build a walkway at Silvershell Beach. Parker noted that crushed gravel is in place and compacted, making the project ready for concrete.

"It still amazes me every day how much those three gentlemen do," said Gorman. Parker noted that the beach building and sign have been painted.

Thanks to the DPW, Old Landing curb stops are in place, reported Gorman.

The town is also asking for bids by June 2 for the July 1 Fireworks event (rain date July 7.) Tabor Academy was publicly thanked for a donation of \$10,000 toward the event.

Noting the recommendation of Chairperson Margie Baldwin, the Select Board approved the appointment of Ellen Bruzelius to the Parks and Tree Committee.

The board approved road closures for two events: the Monday, May 29, 9:00 am Memorial Day Remembrance ceremony (Front Street from the Music Hall to Old Landing) in which U.S. Air Force Major Christopher A. Bonzagni will be the keynote speaker, and

the Saturday, July 8, Arts in the (Bicentennial) Park event (Main Street and Spring Street) from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm (rain date July 9.)

The board approved Tabor Academy's request for a performance extension of 30 minutes for its Saturday, June 10, reunion weekend dinner, meaning the music could run until 11:30 pm.

A special, one-day alcohol-beverage license was approved for the Tri-County Music Association at Tabor Academy on Sunday, June 11, from 12:00 pm to 5:00 pm, as was a special, one-day alcohol-beverage license for The Bartending Service of New England on Saturday, July 22, from 2:00 pm to 8:30 pm at Silvershell Beach.

Discussion items tabled included a letter to Eversource regarding support of the Southeastern Massachusetts Clean Grid Concept and Cemetery Commission fee increases. Both decisions were due to a lack of backup information.

After being told that Department of Public Works Director Becky Tilden would like to meet with Water Department supervisors, annual water restrictions were also tabled.

Two of four seats in the Southeastern Massachusetts Metropolitan Planning Organization are up for election in August. SMMPO develops plans for 27 communities in the Southeastern Regional Planning & Economic Development District (SRPEDD.) Parker asked if the incumbents whose terms are up wish to continue to serve. If a Marion Select Board member becomes interested, he will notify Gorman for application information.

The board approved Water/Sewer commitments of \$11,031 (new service on May 3); \$155 (sewer reconnection on May 9); \$11,000 (new service on May 5); and \$659.36 (final readings May 11.)

Upon DPW recommendation, the board approved a Water/Sewer abatement of \$2,439.93 at 929 Point Road but voted against another abatement request for \$2,000 at 34 Pine Hill Lane after it was learned that a plumber found a crack in the discharge mechanism.

Discussion of the Marion Housing Production Plan 2022 will appear as a New Business item on the board's next agenda.

The Open Space & Recreation Plan, measuring over 200 pages is available.

The board reviewed a first read of the Public Comment Policy drafted in response to Open Meeting Law. A new policy would provide a way for the board to control the tempo in a public meeting. Burr said he would like such one-off policies all to be accessible in one location.

Parker noted the importance of knowledge management and being up to date, and Hills asked that the policy be posted at marionma.gov.

The next meeting of the Marion Select Board will be held on Tuesday, June 6, at 6:00 pm at the Police Station.



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## Restoration Plan Anticipated

*Rochester Conservation Commission*

**By Michael J. DeCicco**

Rochester's Conservation Commission Tuesday gave the owner of property at 89 Box Turtle Drive a new ultimatum in the year-long dispute over the clearing of land too close to wetlands without a permit.

The commission approved giving owner Doug Rose until June 6 to provide an acceptable restoration plan without being fined for his noncompliance. But no plan by then will mean the fines will start up again.

Town Counsel attorney Elizabeth Lydon told the panel that the judge in a Magistrate Hearing on the fining issue has continued the case until September, and she and Rose's attorney have agreed his client might have a restoration plan ready before then, in time for the commission's next (June 6) meeting or shortly thereafter.

"My recommendation is to stop the fines until then," Lydon said.

The commissioners agreed to suspend the fines, but they also decided that June 6 should be the hard and fast deadline to receive a restoration plan. Or the fines will begin again.

Commission member Mike Gifford emphasized how important it is that the board see the right plan by then. "Everyone in this room just wants to get past this," he said. "I think it's a good compromise. He needs to come here and work with us."

Lydon said Rose's attorney's availability on June 6 is in question. Commission member Ben Bailey debunked that sticking point, saying if the attorney is part of a law firm he can send someone else. This dispute has dragged on long enough, he said.

"And when we have the plan, they have to lift the no-trespassing notice," Bailey demanded. "We have to have that lifted for site visits."

A year ago, the board voted to begin delivering "noncriminal enforcement tickets," fining the property owner on a climbing scale of \$50, then \$100, then \$300 per day for having done clearing work closer than 25 feet from wetlands without a permit. This vote came after the board asked the property owner to file a restoration plan with erosion and sedimentation controls in late July 2022.

In April of this year, the board reviewed a plan Rose had submitted that Bailey said lacked sufficient detail. The resulting vote at that meeting to continue fining Rose for his noncompliance was unanimous.

In other action, the commission voted a "negative determination" for a plan to install a set of exterior stairs to an existing garage within 70 feet of wetlands at 24 Mayflower Lane. The board decided the proposal would not result in any wetlands impact after Conservation Agent Merilee Kelly reported the garage is 'a good distance' from wetlands area.

The commission responded to a Notice of Intent to sell an acre of Chapter 61A agricultural and

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## PUBLIC ACCESS

### Comcast Channel 9

### Verizon Channel 36

Thursday May 18, 2023

7:00 AM Seniorize  
7:30 AM Silver Strength: Mind and Body  
8:30 AM You and Your Health  
9:00 AM A Conversation With...  
9:30 AM Arts Alive  
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show  
10:30 AM Auto Sense  
11:00 AM Sidewalks Entertainment  
11:30 AM Paltocast with Darren Paltowitz  
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV  
12:30 PM What's Linda Cooking?  
1:00 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline  
1:30 PM Two Tones with George Lopes  
2:00 PM Sippican Historical Society Oral History - Sue Tiff  
3:00 PM Southcoast Matters TV  
3:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today  
4:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe  
4:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Global 3000  
5:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Euromaxx  
5:30 PM Beacon Hill Report  
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV  
6:30 PM Reeling: The Movie Review Show  
7:30 PM This is America & The World  
8:00 PM Money Matters TV  
8:30 PM The Beacon Hill Report  
9:00 PM Lamb of God Christian Church  
10:00 PM Tri-County Symphonic Band - Andrew Lloyd Webber  
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Friday May 19, 2023

7:00 AM Seniorize  
7:30 AM Silver Strength: Mind and Body  
8:30 AM Living & Learning with Disabilities  
9:30 AM Reeling: The Movie Review Show  
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show  
10:30 AM Mike Paige Doodle Club  
11:00 AM Cape Conversations  
11:30 AM A Conversation With...  
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV  
12:30 PM What's Linda Cooking?  
1:00 PM Sidewalks Entertainment  
1:30 PM The Human Truth with Chuck McIntyre  
2:00 PM The Jeannine Hunt

Experience

2:30 PM Off the Shelf  
3:00 PM Two Grannies on the Road  
3:30 PM This is America and the World  
4:00 PM Paltocast with Darren Paltowitz  
4:30 PM Southcoast Matters TV  
5:00 PM FORM Instrumental Concert  
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV  
6:30 PM Marion Art Center - The Importance of Being Earnest  
9:00 PM The Non-Profit World  
9:30 PM Reeling: The Movie Review Show  
10:00 PM Gay USA  
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Saturday May 20, 2023

6:00 AM Saturday Morning Cartoon Festival  
9:00 AM Health Source  
9:30 AM Two Grannies on the Road  
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show  
10:30 AM A Conversation With...  
11:00 AM Auto Sense  
11:30 AM Science 360  
12:00 PM Mid-Day Movie  
1:30 PM Sippican Historical Society Oral History - Sue Tiff  
2:30 PM XUC Pro Wrestling  
3:00 PM Paltocast with Darren Paltowitz  
3:30 PM South Coast Matters  
4:00 PM The Jeannine Hunt Experience  
4:30 PM Marion Natural History Museum - Butterflies on the Southcoast  
5:30 PM Cape Conversations  
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV  
6:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today  
7:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe  
7:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Global 3000  
8:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Euromaxx  
8:30 PM Marion Natural History Museum - Butterflies of Southeastern MA  
9:30 PM Registers Report  
10:00 PM Two Tones with George Lopes  
10:30 PM Let's Talk Business  
11:00 PM Classic Movies

Sunday May 21, 2023

6:00 AM Health Source  
6:30 AM Reeling - The Movie Review Show  
7:00 AM Lamb of God Christian

Church

8:00 AM Mattapoisett Congregational Church  
9:00 AM First Congregational Church of Rochester  
10:00 AM St. Gabriel's Episcopal Church of Marion  
11:30 AM Tri-Town TV  
12:00 PM What's Linda Cooking?  
12:30 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline  
1:00 PM The Human Truth with Chuck McIntyre  
1:35 PM Sippican Historical Society Oral History - Suzy Titus  
2:25 PM Sippican Historical Society - Butterflies of Southeastern MA  
3:30 PM Paltocast with Darren Paltowitz  
4:00 PM Fur, Fins, and Feathers  
4:30 PM The World Fusion Show  
5:00 PM XUC Pro Wrestling  
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV  
6:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today  
7:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe  
7:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Global 3000  
8:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Euromaxx  
8:30 PM Marion Natural History Museum - Old Growth Forests of MA  
9:30 PM This is America & The World  
11:30 PM Classic Movies

Monday May 22, 2023

7:00 AM Seniorize  
7:30 AM Silver Strength: Mind and Body  
8:30 AM For Your Health  
9:00 AM You and Your Health  
9:30 AM The Curious Giraffe Show  
10:00 AM A Conversation With...  
10:30 AM Reeling: The Movie Review Show  
11:00 AM Two Grannies on the Road  
11:30 AM Tri-Town TV  
12:00 PM What's Linda Cooking?  
12:30 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline  
1:00 PM In the Toy Box  
1:30 PM The Human Truth with Chuck McIntyre  
2:00 PM Southcoast Matters TV  
2:30 PM The Collective Chat  
3:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today  
3:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe  
4:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Global 3000  
4:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Euromaxx  
5:00 PM Marion Natural History

Museum - Old Growth Forests of MA  
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV  
6:20 PM Tri-County Symphonic Band - Andrew Lloyd Webber  
7:30 PM Paltocast with Darren Paltowitz  
8:00 PM Pete on the Street  
8:30 PM Reeling: The Movie Review Show  
9:00 PM Let's Talk Business  
9:30 PM Building the Future  
10:00 PM Gay USA  
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Tuesday May 23, 2023

7:00 AM Seniorize  
7:30 AM Silver Strength: Mind and Body  
8:30 AM Two Grannies on the Road  
9:00 AM Sidewalks Entertainment  
9:30 AM The Collective Chat  
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show  
10:30 AM Mike Paige Doodle Club  
11:00 AM Arts Alive  
11:30 AM In the Toy Box  
12:00 PM Tri-Town TV  
12:30 PM What's Linda Cooking?  
1:00 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline  
1:30 PM The Non-Profit World  
2:00 PM The Human Truth with Chuck McIntyre  
2:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Tomorrow and Today  
3:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Focus on Europe  
3:30 PM Deutsche Welle - Global 3000  
4:00 PM Deutsche Welle - Euromaxx  
4:30 PM Marion Natural History Museum - Old Growth Forests of MA  
5:30 PM Tri-Town TV  
6:00 PM XUC Pro Wrestling  
7:00 PM Tri-Town Against Racism  
8:00 PM Money Matters TV  
8:30 PM Beacon Hill Report  
9:00 PM Falmouth Academy Community Series  
10:00 PM Gay USA  
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

Wednesday May 24, 2023

7:00 AM Seniorize  
7:30 AM Silver Strength: Mind and Body  
8:30 AM For Your Health  
9:00 AM Two Grannies on the Road  
9:30 AM Reeling: The Movie Review Show  
10:00 AM The Curious Giraffe Show  
10:30 AM Sidewalks Entertainment  
11:00 AM Mattapoisett Congregational

Church

12:00 PM Tri-Town TV  
12:30 PM What's Linda Cooking?  
1:00 PM Cooking Healthy with Coastline  
1:30 PM Southcoast Matters TV  
2:00 PM Auto Sense  
2:30 PM Money Talk Tuesday  
3:00 PM A Conversation With...  
3:30 PM Music Monday's with Houston Bernard  
4:00 PM Paltocast with Darren Paltowitz  
4:30 PM Marion Natural History Museum - Butterflies of Southeastern MA  
5:30 PM Building the Future  
6:00 PM Tri-Town TV  
6:30 PM The World Fusion Show  
7:00 PM Let's Talk Business  
7:30 PM Registers Report  
8:00 PM Tri-Town Against Racism  
9:30 PM Beacon Hill Report  
10:00 PM Ghost Chronicles  
11:00 PM Democracy Now!

## MARION

### GOVERNMENT

### Comcast Channel 95

### Verizon Channel 39

### Daily Schedule

7:00 AM Marion Annual Town Meeting  
9:00 AM Marion Planning Board  
10:30 AM Marion Conservation Commission  
11:30 AM Marion Zoning Board of Appeals  
12:30 PM Marion School Committee  
1:30 PM Marion Open Space Committee Marine Resource Committee  
3:00 PM Marion Finance Committee  
4:30 PM Marion Board of Health  
5:30 PM Marion Affordable Housing Trust  
6:30 PM Marion Marine Resource Committee  
7:30 PM ORR Joint School Committee  
9:00 PM Marion Annual Town Meeting  
11:00 PM ORR Budget Public Hearing

## ROCHESTER

### GOVERNMENT

### Comcast Channel 95

### Verizon Channel 40

### Daily Schedule

7:00 AM Rochester Board of Selectmen  
8:00 AM Rochester Planning Board

9:30 AM Rochester Conservation Commission  
10:30 AM Rochester Zoning Board of Appeal  
12:00 PM Rochester School Committee  
1:30 PM ORR Joint School Committee  
3:00 PM ORR Budget Public Hearing  
4:00 PM Rochester Candidates Night  
6:30 PM Rochester Board of Selectmen  
7:30 PM Rochester Planning Board  
9:00 PM Rochester Conservation Commission  
10:00 PM Rochester Zoning Board of Appeals  
11:30 PM Rochester School Committee

## EDUCATION

### CHANNEL

### Comcast Channel 97

### Verizon Channel 37

### Daily Schedule

7:00 AM Bulldog Weekly  
7:30 AM Sippican Jr. Reporters 2023  
8:30 AM Old Hammondtown School News  
9:00 AM ORRHHS Spring Concert  
10:00 AM RMS Spring Concert  
11:00 AM RMS Kindergarten Info Session  
12:00 PM Bulldog Weekly  
12:30 PM ORR Unified Basketball vs Tri-Town Police  
1:30 PM ORR Pep Rally  
2:00 PM ORR Unified Basketball vs Dighton Rehoboth  
3:00 PM ORR Senior Awards Night  
5:00 PM ORR Hall of Fame - Buddy Thomas  
5:30 PM ORR Hall of Fame - 1993 Undeclared Football Team  
6:00 PM Bulldog Weekly  
6:30 PM ORR Theatre Class  
7:30 PM ORR Music Education  
8:30 PM ORR FORM Brunch  
11:00 PM ORR Hall of Fame Inaugural Ceremony

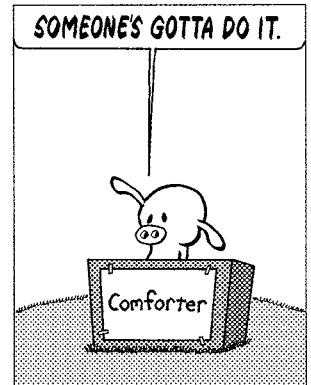
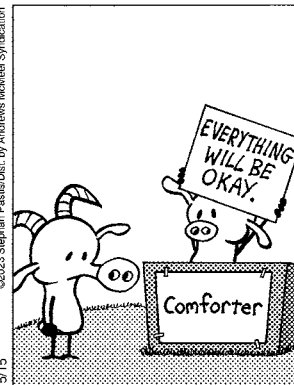
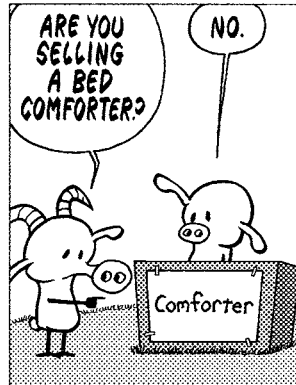
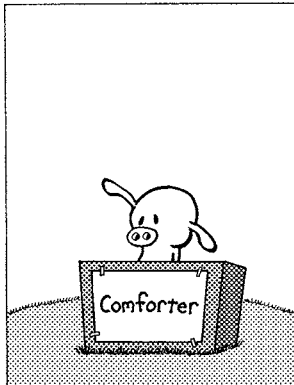
## MATTAPOISETT

### GOVERNMENT

### Comcast Channel 95

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## PEARLS BEFORE SWINE by Stephan Pastis



horticultural land for residential use off Mary's Pond Road by recommending the Select Board not exercise its right to purchase the property under 61A regulations.

The Conservation Commission announced its next meeting will be held on Tuesday, June 6, starting at 7:00 pm at Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way.

## **Lowe Poster Tops in State**

*Mattapoisett School Committee*

**By Mick Colageo**

Freshly out of a special meeting held in concert with the Select Board to hear the UMass Boston Collins Center's conclusion that the economic benefit of school consolidation would be offset by the resultant expansion of Center or Old Hammondtown Elementary School, the Mattapoisett School Committee focused Monday night's regular meeting on causes for celebration.

And there were others, beginning with Old Hammondtown fifth grader Emma Lowe, whose "It's Time for Trees" Arbor Day contest poster was recognized by the state Department of Conservation & Recreation as first among 2,300 entries statewide.

Old Hammondtown Principal Kevin Tavares told the committee that the school will receive a tree. It was the only scheduled vote on the May 15 agenda that was tabled, as stakeholders need time to determine details.

In her Chairperson's Report later in the meeting, Carly Lavin cited that success and noted that "two things can be true at the same time ..."

Lavin, who was running for reelection to the committee on Tuesday, also cited Town Meeting approval of Old Rochester Regional's Operations and Capital budget as signs that Mattapoisett residents value education. She thanked ORR staff, the PTA and paraprofessionals and discussed an exciting May and June full of field trips and student activities.

As if she was offering parting words, Lavin told the members that they need to push for more. "We should continue to ask all the hard questions" on literacy, etc. and "advocate for our children," she said, stressing the importance of accessible financial information. "My hope is this body continues to make sure the interests of the community are communicated in a transparent manner."

Lavin publicly thanked the ORR Administration and Budget Subcommittee, Town Administrator Mike Lorencio for working with the Mattapoisett School Committee and the UMass Collins Center for engaging the committee during its study.

The Mattapoisett School Committee voted to approve what amounts to a general move to Thursday as meeting night with the following dates for the 2023-24 academic year: September 21, October 26, December 7, January 11, February 15, March 21, May 2 and June 13.

The committee also voted to approve two grants as introduced by ORR Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning Dr. Shari Fedorowicz: an Early

Literacy Universal Screening Grant of \$5,076 to purchase the DESE-approved Early Literacy Screening Assessment DIBELS 8th Edition for grades K-3 and a \$152,000 Accelerating Literacy grant to cover 50% of the cost of new core instructional materials for Mattapoisett Public Schools.

The \$152,000 Accelerating Literacy grant covers up to the entire cost of the initial professional development for educators to implement the materials. Fedorowicz told the committee it was an "extremely competitive grant" and that she reached out for quotes. She noted that \$1,000,000 was awarded statewide, and ORR received three to serve all three district towns.

"Oftentimes, we're not identified as a community with a certain poverty threshold," said ORR Superintendent of Schools Mike Nelson, noting that ORR's needs-assessment program turned out to be "really a great decision that we made," as it revealed the needs that prompted the award. "We're very excited to bring this forward."

The committee also discussed before and after-school program options that would necessitate the moving of a Kindergarten class from its regular space.

In his Principal's Report, Kevin Tavares said there were 22 school days left as of Monday and discussed visits that sixth-grade students would make to ORR Junior High and a visit that third-graders will make to Old Hammondtown. A podcast interviewed sixth-grade

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# OBITUARIES



**Ann M. (Perkins) Briggs**, 92, of Mattapoisett died December 16, 2022 peacefully in her daughter's home.

She was the loving wife of the late Peter P Briggs.

Born in New Bedford, devoted daughter of the late Edwin L Perkins and Clara L (Tinkham), Ann lived most of her

life in Mattapoisett.

Ann's life was spent teaching children, tending the earth and community, and being with family.

After graduating from Fairhaven High School, where she met her husband, she went on to study at Lesley Normal School in Cambridge. She then spent her early married and motherhood years as a nursery school teacher as they moved around the northeast.

Anna and Peter brought their family back to live in Mattapoisett where Ann continued teaching at the Loft School and Friends Academy. She also found time to volunteer at St Luke's and in the New Bedford School System.

Some of Ann's treasured volunteer time was being a docent at the Arnold Arboretum combining her love of children and nature; reading to the at Children's Story hour, children and books and being a member on the Mattapoisett Tree Committee, trees and community.

Ann also began writing poetry at the end of her life. A book of her poetry can be found in the Mattapoisett Library.

Ann planted a garden at every home she lived in, slept in 50 states, swam in Mattapoisett harbor every summer of her life and touched thousands of lives.

Survivors include a son, Daniel Briggs and his wife Lori of Mattapoisett, 2 daughters, Melinda Eaton and her husband Kevin Eaton and Heather Hobler, both of Mattapoisett; 5 grandchildren, Christopher Smith, Collin Smith, Graham Smith, Doscher Hobler and Brandis Eaton; 2 great-grandchildren, Mia and Nadine; and several nieces and nephews.

She was the sister of the late Peter Perkins and Ruth Heath.

Her Memorial service will be held on Friday, May 26th at 10:30 am in the Mattapoisett Congregational Church. In lieu of flowers please donate to the Mattapoisett Free Public Library and the Town of Mattapoisett Tree Committee to have trees planted. Arrangements are with the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home for Funerals, 50 County Rd. (Rt. 6), Mattapoisett. For online guestbook, visit [www.saundersdwyer.com](http://www.saundersdwyer.com).



**Thomas J. Medeiros**, 83, of Rochester, passed away May 8, 2023, at home. He was the husband of Barbara G. (Robbins) Medeiros and the son of the late Joseph and Elsie (Corey) Medeiros.

He was born in Dartmouth and

lived in Rochester for many years. He graduated from Dartmouth High School and Amherst College. He was a Vietnam War Veteran serving in the U.S. Army.

Mr. Medeiros worked as a Safety Officer and Phlebotomist at the Veteran's Administration Hospital in Brockton for many years before retiring. After retiring, he worked at the Blueberry Farm in Rochester and was known as "The Blueberry Man".

He was a member of the Cumesett Tribe Order of the Redmen and the New Bedford-Wareham Lodge of Elks. He enjoyed gardening, fishing and hunting.

Survivors include his wife of 61 years, Barbara G. (Robbins) Medeiros; his children, Thomas J. Medeiros, Jr. of Rochester and Barbara Lee Medeiros of Wareham; a brother, Daniel Medeiros and his wife Judith of South Dartmouth; a grandson, Rhett J. Reed; 2 granddaughters. He was the brother of the late Noreen Medeiros.

Visiting hours were held on Monday, May 15, 2023 at Chapman Funerals & Cremations – Wareham, 2599 Cranberry Hwy., Wareham.

His graveside service was held on Tuesday, May 16, 2023 at Rochester Center Cemetery, Dexter Ln., Rochester.



**Kenneth W. Sienkiewicz**, 79, of Mattapoisett died May 13, 2023 at home.

He was the husband of the late Deborah A. (Nash) Sienkiewicz.

Born and raised in New Bedford, son of the late Stanley Sienkiewicz and Doris I. (Moreau) Allen, he lived in Mattapoisett most of his life.

He was formerly employed with New England Telephone for over 35 years until his retirement.

Mr. Sienkiewicz enjoyed family vacations, history and working on cars.

He was a member of the Fin Fur and Feather Club.

Survivors include his son, Marc Sienkiewicz of Fall River; 2 step-sons, Nathaniel Siegel and Jeremy Siegel, both of New York; a brother, Robert Allen of Leominster; a sister, Winifred Allen of New Hampshire; and a niece, Tammy Edwards of Sturbridge.

His Funeral will be held on Thursday, May 18th at 10 am in the Saunders-Dwyer Mattapoisett Home for Funerals, 50 County Rd. (Rt. 6), Mattapoisett. Burial will follow in Cushing Cemetery. Visiting hours will be on Wednesday, May 17th from 4-7 pm. For directions and guestbook, visit [www.saundersdwyer.com](http://www.saundersdwyer.com).

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students on what fifth-grade students should expect.

Tavares also thanked the Mattapoisett Land Trust for funding the upcoming Cuttyhunk trip for Grade 6 students. "It's really cool that the island embraces this visit. We've been going every year," he said. Grade 5 students will make a walking trip through Mattapoisett village, and a concert will be held on June 12.

In her Principal's Report, Dr. Linda Ashley discussed the June 7 concert and graduation.

Assistant Superintendent of Finance and Operations Howie Barber reported that there was slightly over \$310,000 remaining in the FY23 operation budget.

The committee entered executive session and only returned to adjourn.

The next meeting of the Mattapoisett School Committee is scheduled for Monday, June 12, at Center School, and the next meeting of the Joint School Committee is scheduled for Monday, June 8, at the Old Rochester Regional Junior High School media room. Both meetings start at 6:30 pm.

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### To the Editor

Bikes are tools for freedom and fun; They are not toys. Like downhill skis they are designed equipment for particular "courses." They must be used responsibly or people get hurt. The Mattapoisett Rail Trail is a SHARED use path: Please be aware of the numerous pedestrians.

I'm writing this out of a) the concerning anecdotes emerging from the pedestrian users on the recently opened bike path b) a profound sadness after learning about another tragic cyclist death: A 14 year old boy out with his friends at the end of a glorious spring day was buried last week after a collision with a car.

In general cycling for sport and transport is safe because our caution leads us to protect ourselves with the right equipment and solid practice of the rules of the road. Regardless our caution, though, sometimes errors

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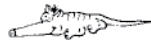


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# TriTOWN HAPPENINGS



Jen Shepley shared these photos of a stone wall on Water Street in Mattapoisett and lilacs at the Munro Preserve.



Open now through mid-June at the Marion Art Center is an exhibit by the husband-and-wife team of Stephen and Anne Carrozz Remick. The first-floor gallery perfectly fits the mostly petite still-life paintings done by Anne and in this exhibit. Her careful eye for color and form in these works demonstrate Anne's skill for giving you all the needed details while not overloading the view. The glass half full of water with a single stem advancing towards the lip is simple but full of expression, telling its own story in the silence of the still life. In the second-floor gallery are Stephen's much larger paintings, including one that is an amazing 38 by 80 inches includes titled *The Journey*. It depicts their daughter's departure to college via the imagery of her rowing a kayak away from home. Other pieces in the second-floor gallery are plein air works where smoke looks real and snow is a character all its own. Photos by Marilou Newell



From now until the end of June, enjoy the artistic paring of library books and sculpture at the Mattapoisett Library exhibit of works by Nathaniel Fuchs. An epidemiologist by day, Fuchs enjoys creating works from wood. Some have been created from an apple tree that once was a source of play for the Fuchs brothers. Now a trio of vases remain as beautiful reminders of those carefree days. Photos by Marilou Newell



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of judgement and conditions on the road are hurtful and even deadly. The rules exist to help avoid hurtful collisions. If we all behave responsibly, we minimize harm to ourselves and others.

If you are an adult rider or a parent please make sure that you or your kids have skills, rules, judgment needed to use a bike. Including a helmet that is properly adjusted to protect their forehead. Take responsibility for your child's knowledge of how to ride a bike. The freedom that comes with a bike can be intoxicating to kids and adults. But as with all freedom, bike riding comes with responsibilities to look out for yourself and others.

The most important rules for everyone staying safe are those that help us avoid errors and minimize



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# MOVIE REVIEW

## No Fun

By Rob Gonsalves  
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***Evil Dead Rise*. Starring Lily Sullivan and Alyssa Sutherland. Directed by Lee Cronin. Running time: 96 minutes. MPAA rating: R. Now playing in theaters and on streaming home media; on physical media June 27.**

Here's the thing about the *Evil Dead* franchise. It needs Bruce Campbell's Ash Williams the way the *Alien* franchise needs Sigourney Weaver's Ellen Ripley. Without those characters and those actors, you may have in-name-only franchise sequels with gnashing xenomorphs and unruly deadites, but you don't have the heart and soul. In the first three *Evil Dead* films and three seasons of *Ash Vs. Evil Dead*, Campbell and director Sam Raimi gradually leaned into knockabout comedy, until the stories were influenced as much by the Three Stooges as by *The Exorcist*.

Campbell comes on for a quick aural bow in *Evil Dead Rise*, and his out-of-patience voice on an ancient record snapping "It's called The Book of the Dead for a *reason*" conveys more of the old *Evil Dead* spirit than anything else in the film. Here, we're in a condemned old apartment building in Los Angeles. We meet our hero Beth (Lily Sullivan), a guitar tech, her sister Ellie (Alyssa Sutherland), a tattoo artist, and Ellie's three kids. Ellie's husband is out of the picture, while Beth has recently discovered she's pregnant. Writer-director Lee Cronin kicks back and lets the women marinate in their sorrows for a while, just as though any of this is going to matter much once the evil dead barge in.

Which they do, possessing Ellie and then others. There's a fair amount of nastiness involving the de-souled Ellie taunting Beth about her being a "groupie slut" and carrying an extra soul for Ellie to eat. I'd just as soon not get into the implications of that second bit. And it's weird to complain that a horror movie gets us to care about people, but this was a family I didn't particularly relish watching as they suffered, bled, grieved, bled some more, and literally almost drowned in blood. We never



"cared" about Ash — we liked the guy, but to enjoy him getting bashed around we had to keep some detachment from him. Ash didn't really have *feelings*. He was a slapstick figure at the center of a horror-fantasy series.

But here, and also in its grim predecessor from ten years ago, there's no slapstick, no "Klaatu barada nikto," no *fun*. These are realistic people with real pain over real problems. Turning deadites loose on them is like kicking a dying puppy in the face. Now, that kind of nihilistic cruelty to characters can work, and has worked many times, in good horror. And none of those horror stories were called *Evil Dead*. But now here we are. You can no longer be guaranteed a rowdy good time with this franchise. It has become rancid, humorless, toxic. Apart from the spasmodic, shambolic, cackling-witch behavior of the possessed, the tone of these latter *Evil Dead* films is so different they don't even seem part of the same series.

The two leads, both from Australian TV and film, work strenuously and honestly as sisters with all sorts of brittle feelings between them. They aren't the problem here — the conception of the film is unappealing, and they do what they can within it, maintaining some dignity in circumstances that mitigate against dignity. The movie itself doesn't work hard enough to deserve them (the kids are all great too). The gore level is off the chart, leading comics artist and horror buff Stephen Bissette to opine that this might be the bloodiest movie ever to pass with an R rating. It may well be. Maybe if it's demonic blood it doesn't count as real blood. That's fine; to me, this doesn't count as a real *Evil Dead* film either.

conflicts.

1) Keep to the right on the roads and on the bike path. Do not ride against traffic. The drivers aren't looking for you there. 2) Use a speed that is not alarming to the pedestrians around you. 3) Use your voice or a bell to warn pedestrians up ahead that you are going to pass them. Older walkers may not hear well from behind. 4) Stop at the stop signs and look for the driver who may not be looking for you. 5) Use lights at night, and please know a front headlight and a rear red light is the law for nighttime riding. The dark comes quickly after the sun goes down. Equip your bike properly to be seen. While you are at it dress to be seen. Visibility is critical.

Finally, most of the roads leading to the bike path don't have sidewalks. Drivers, give pedestrians and on-road riders a safe distance when passing. 4' is the new law.

Bonne DeSousa, Mattapoissett

To the Editor;

I have been a member of the Marion Community Preservation Committee (CPC) for the past 9 years, its Chair for the past 6 years. I understand that there was a great deal of discussion regarding the CPA articles and process at our recent Annual Town Meeting. Unfortunately, I was traveling on business and unable to attend the May 8 meeting and would like to provide some additional detail.

Marion adopted the Community Preservation Act (CPA) in May 2005, replacing a historical 2% tax surcharge that was used to fund the Land Bank with a 2% surcharge funding the CPA. The CPA surcharge includes an exemption for the first \$100,000 of assessed value. In the 19 years since Marion's adoption of the CPA, tax surcharges have totaled \$5.15M and Marion received a total of \$1.83M in state matching funds. The state match varies and has ranged from 100% to 17%.

The CPC is composed of representatives of 7 Town boards: Conservation, Planning, Select Board, Open Space, Affordable Housing, Historical and Recreation. The CPC, coordinates the applications process and makes recommendations at Town Meeting, with voters making the final funding decision. For the season just completed we held five open meetings, the last a public hearing. The articles were also reviewed at the Select Board's May 2 meeting.

Town meetings have funded 77 CPA projects with a total value of \$6.53M. The remaining CPA balance is \$478k. I have grouped these 77 awards into 11 categories:

- Restore Town Buildings – 13 projects, \$2.57M
- Restore Private Buildings – 6 projects, \$311k
- Land Acquisition – 3 projects, \$507k
- Open Space Planning – 3 projects, \$16k
- Watershed Protection – 3 projects, \$170k
- Pathways – 3 projects, \$636k
- Recreation – 19 projects, \$511k
- Veterans' Graves – 3 projects, \$21k

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# TRI-TOWN POLICE LOGS



## MARION

### Log highlights May 7-May 13

- Mill St – EMS/medical
- Hastings Rd – Suspicious MV
- Front St – Parking enforcement
- Front St – EMS/medical
- Mill St – General service
- Mill St - Transport
- Mill St - Fraud
- Cove's End Rd – Paper service
- Joanne Dr – Follow up
- Spring St – General service
- Olde Sheepfield Rd – EMS/medical
- Beach St – Follow up investigation
- Sparrow Ln – Animal control
- Park St – Noise complaint
- Mill St – MV collision
- Washburn Ln – Officer wanted
- Spring St – General service
- Wareham Rd – General service
- Field Stone Ln – Officer wanted
- Delano Rd – Health/welfare
- Olde Knoll Rd – Lost property
- Wareham Rd – 911 abandoned
- Autumn Ln - Fraud
- Pleasant St – EMS/medical
- Point Rd – Disorderly person
- Front St – Suspicious MV/citation
- Rt 195 West – Brush fire
- Point Rd – EMS/medical
- Mill St – EMS/medical

## MATTAPOISETT

### Log highlights May 7-May 13

- Marion Rd – Health/welfare
- Marion Rd - Disturbance
- Upland Way – Assist citizen
- Homestead Ct – General service
- North St – Health/welfare
- County Rd – MV violations
- Upland Way – Medical assist
- Hitching Post Rd – Medical assist
- North St – Larceny/forgery/fraud
- Harbor Neck Rd – Health/welfare
- Barstow St – Follow up investigation
- Acushnet Rd – Assist citizen
- Water St – Animal control
- Brandt Island Rd - Threats
- County Rd – 911 call
- Marion Rd – General service
- Eddy Rd – Property lost
- County Rd – Harassment order
- Wildwood Ter – Animal control
- Hi-Ona-Hill Rd – Assist other agency
- Brandt Island Rd – Assist citizen
- Marion Rd – MV crash
- Marion Rd – Larceny/forgery/fraud
- Shore View Ave – By-laws violation
- Acushnet Rd - Disturbance
- Oliver's Ln – Unwanted person
- Timberledge Ln – Shellfish violations
- Wildwood Ter – MV lockout
- Randall Rd – MV violations

## ROCHESTER

### Log highlights May 7-May 13

- Cranberry Hwy – MV stop/citation
- Marion Rd – General services
- Walnut Plain Rd – Burglar alarm
- Forbes Rd – 911 call
- Nathaniels Dr - Fraud
- Stevens Rd – Civil complaint
- Lady Slipper Tr – MV lockout
- Sarabeth Ln – 911 call
- Marion Rd – General services
- County Rd – MV stop/citation
- Cranberry Hwy – Suspicious activity
- Paradise Ln - Fraud
- Neck Rd – Animal control
- Marys Pond Rd – MV stop/citation
- Marion Rd - Disturbance
- Marys Pond Rd – MV stop/arrest
- Alley Rd – Noise complaint
- Hartley Rd – Suspicious activity
- Braley Hill Rd – Suspicious activity
- County Rd – MV stop/arrest
- Bishop Rd – Well being check
- Clapp Rd – Animal control
- Bishop Rd - Medical
- Mendell Rd – 911 call
- Marys Pond Rd – MV stop/citation
- Walnut Plain Rd – Medical alarm
- Walnut Plain Rd – Noise complaint
- County Rd - Disturbance
- Mattapoisett Rd – Medical alarm

For a full PDF of the three towns' police logs from the past week, including arrest reports, visit [www.Wanderer.com](http://www.Wanderer.com).



## REGIONAL LUNCH MENUS

### COASTLINE ELDERLY NUTRITION PROGRAM

**Monday, May 22:** Spanish omelet, hash brown potatoes, stewed tomatoes, fruit muffin, mixed fruit  
**Tuesday, May 23:** Popcorn chicken, ketchup packet, confetti rice, beets, honey wheat bread, fresh orange  
**Wednesday, May 24:** Tossed salad w/dressing, meatloaf w/rosemary gravy, whipped potato, oatmeal roll, applesauce  
**Thursday, May 25:** Roast pork w/ mint gravy, Delmonico potato, spring blend, multigrain bread, chocolate pudding, diet: sugar free pudding  
**Friday, May 26:** Shrimp Mozambique, yellow rice, carrot coins, snowflake roll, pears

### CENTER SCHOOL

**Monday, May 22:** Chicken parm sub, mixed veggies, oven baked potato wedges, pickle  
**Tuesday, May 23:** Taco nacho platter, cilantro lime rice, Mexicali corn, black bean salad  
**Wednesday, May 24:** Warm turkey & cheese croissant, baked sweet potato rounds, crunchy cucumber coins  
**Thursday, May 25:** Creamy mac

& cheese, steamed broccoli, applesauce cup  
**Friday, May 26:** Stuffed crust pizza, garden salad, assorted salad dressing

### OLD HAMMONDTOWN

**Monday, May 22:** BBQ pulled pork sandwich, BBQ baked beans, creamy cole slaw  
**Tuesday, May 23:** Tyson popcorn chicken, creamy mashed potatoes, savory gravy, golden corn, whole grain dinner roll  
**Wednesday, May 24:** Pancakes, maple syrup, Jones low salt sausage links, cheese stick, hashbrown patty, orange smiles  
**Thursday, May 25:** Chicken parmesan served over lightly buttered pasta, carrots, warm breadstick  
**Friday, May 26:** Stuffed crust pizza, garden salad, assorted salad dressing

### OLD ROCHESTER REGIONAL JUNIOR & SENIOR HIGH

**Monday, May 22:** Cheeseburger, lettuce & tomato, pickle, oven baked potato wedge, broccoli salad  
**Tuesday, May 23:** Cheese quesadillas (OR) chicken quesadilla, cilantro lime rice, Mexicali corn, black

bean salad  
**Wednesday, May 24:** Bulldog breakfast sandwich, cheese stick, potato tots  
**Thursday, May 25:** Salisbury steak, creamy mashed potatoes, savory gravy, mixed veggies, warm breadstick  
**Friday, May 26:** Tyson crispy chicken tenders (OR) Tyson whole grain crispy chicken nuggets, pasta salad, carrots

### ROCHESTER MEMORIAL

**Monday, May 22:** Cheeseburger, lettuce & tomato, pickle, oven baked potato wedge  
**Tuesday, May 23:** Tyson popcorn chicken, creamy mashed potatoes, savory gravy, golden corn, whole grain dinner roll  
**Wednesday, May 24:** Whole grain French toast sticks, maple syrup, Jones low salt sausage links, cheese stick, hashbrown patty, orange smiles  
**Thursday, May 25:** Creamy mac & cheese w/side of Tyson whole grain crispy chicken nuggets, steamed broccoli, warm breadstick  
**Friday, May 26:** Stuffed crust pizza, garden salad,

assorted salad dressing

### SIPPICAN SCHOOL

**Monday, May 22:** Cheeseburger, lettuce & tomato, pickle, oven baked potato wedge  
**Tuesday, May 23:** Taco nacho platter, cilantro lime rice, Mexicali corn, black bean salad  
**Wednesday, May 24:** Warm turkey & cheese croissant, baked sweet potato rounds, crunchy cucumber coins  
**Thursday, May 25:** Creamy mac & cheese, steamed broccoli, applesauce cup  
**Friday, May 26:** Stuffed crust pizza, garden salad, assorted salad dressing

### OLD COLONY REGIONAL

**Monday, May 22:** General Tso's chicken bowl & dinner roll  
**Tuesday, May 23:** Mini corn dogs, fries & baked beans  
**Wednesday, May 24:** Home-made chicken quesadilla, salsa, sour cream, corn & black beans  
**Thursday, May 25:** Meatball sub, green beans & fries  
**Friday, May 26:** Assorted pizza

- Document/Artifact Catalog, Preserve – 12 projects, \$399k
- Affordable Housing – 8 projects, \$1.23M
- Other – 4 projects, \$152k

Marion's exit from CPA is a complex question. While a CPA exit would eliminate the 2% tax surcharge, this action would also end the state match - \$1.83M over the past 19 years. If Marion exits the CPA how would the projects funded by the CPA be financed? More than 93% of CPA monies were used to fund Town properties and projects (\$6.1M). These projects would have to be included in the Town's conventional operating or capital budgets, wait for the generosity of outside groups, or be deferred for later decision. Unless one argues that most CPA projects are unnecessary, exiting the CPA would likely increase taxes because of the loss of the State match. If projects proposed for CPA funding are not worthwhile, they should be voted down at Town Meeting. During the last 10 years I recall only one project that was rejected with few articles generating any questions.

My opinion, and I am speaking as a citizen, not on behalf of the CPC, is that the CPA is a valued resource that provides an alternative funding process, supported partially by State funds, that remains in full control of the voters. The Town House provides an example of the value of CPA funding. The Town House was the victim of 50 years of deferred maintenance, and recent failed attempts to restore or replace the building through conventional funding. CPA monies, with some supplemental private funds, restored at least the outside of the building and made it an asset to the Town.

My suggestion is that we retain the CPA and that interested townspeople become active in the entire funding process. We would welcome the participation of interested citizens throughout the process.

Jeff Doubrava, Marion

To Mattapoisett Select Board,

On December 1, 2022, Sky Development Ltd. submitted a proposal per the requirements of the RFP#22-26 to develop the former fire station at 26 County Road into a full scale grocery store.

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have been provided by January 31, 2023. On February 27, 2023 I was finally provided a draft Purchase and Sale for review. I sent said Purchase and Sale to my Attorney for review. Per section 10 of the RPF we were already a month past the time to have a mutually agreeable Purchase and Sale Agreement executed. After review I instructed my attorney to send back the Agreement with proposed changes. During this time, I had a hold on my bid funds as I was unsure what was supposed to happen with the funds.

Also while reviewing the Purchase and Sale, several terms were included that were not disclosed in the RPF, which could have caused a issue with financing.

While reviewing the P&S I was informed that the Town tried to cash by bid deposit check and the Town was informed there was a hold. I instructed my Attorney to tell Town counsel the proper deposit would be tendered on the execution of a mutually agreeable P&S. I was informed that unless I tendered a good check for the bid deposit that the Town could cash my proposal would now be deemed non responsive.

Rather than proceed to negotiate the terms of the P&S, Mattapoisett Town Counsel in fact deemed by proposal 'Non-Responsive' and has been attempting to sell the building to the next bidder for less than 50% of my proposed offer.

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## SALOME'S STARS

**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) Aspects indicate a potential for confusion or misunderstanding. Keep those lines of communication open between you and your mate or significant other.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) Romantic aspects are strong, but confusing. Be alert. Use your good Bovine sense to avoid charging into something that isn't quite what it seems to be.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) Working out problems with family members or others close to you should be your priority. Travel aspects are strong, especially in job-related situations.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) The Cancerian Crab likes to take charge of things. But be careful you don't pinch off more than you can hold, or you might find it all slipping out of your grasp.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) A new opportunity beckons Leos and Leonas who are ready to take on some tough challenges. Family matters continue to improve, but still need close attention.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) What seems to be a disappointment could be a blessing in disguise. Use that good Virgin mind to analyze the situation and learn some valuable lessons.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) There are some conflicting considerations that will need careful sorting out. Remember: You do best when you're able to balance sense and sentiment.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) Aspects show conflicting signs around friendships. Be careful about taking advice from someone who might have an agenda that is not in your best interests.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) Relationships are supposed to be about give-and-take, but you might find that you've been doing all the giving while getting little in return.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) Sometimes indecision can be a positive factor in helping to resolve doubts about a potential commitment. Don't be rushed into acting before you feel ready to do so.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) Take off those rose-colored glasses and see this new situation for what it is -- and for what it isn't. Remember: You haven't been told the whole truth yet.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Watch that you don't drain your energy reserves as you dive into a new and increasingly demanding project. Take time out for rest and relaxation.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You live your life on a finely tuned balance between the perception of a Taurus and the curiosity of a Gemini. You excel in the arts.

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to publish its decision with the state as to why it has decided to sell this property a price less than the value set per the RFP.

For anyone interested in what could have been created with the help and partnership of the Town of Mattapoisett, I am listing here the simple, thoughtful, sensible requests made within the P&S:

- Approve the market buildout.
- Waive the permitting fees.
- Grandfather the existing bathrooms.
- Approve our drawn expanded parking.
- Remediate or accept any mentioned lead paint.
- Approve exterior layout including dining and child play area.

As a commercial Business Taxpayer and property owner in Mattapoisett I am taken aback at how flippant Town Counsel was with the Purchase and Sale negotiation and disregard for a proposal which is netting the Town more than twice the second proposal. I am sure that other taxpayers in Town will not take this information lightly.

As productive member of our community, I am extremely disappointed with the speed at which Town Council has kicked aside a 'we the people' project, avoided the opportunity to work with someone clearly interested in citizen oriented development, and has forced the Town into accepting far less for their asset.

Michael Sudofsky

### Academic Achievements

**Abigail Rose DaCosta**, of Mattapoisett, BBA Finance Graduated from the University of Georgia during Commencement exercises this week.

### ORRJHS Students of the Month

Silas D. Coellner, Principal of Old Rochester Regional Junior High School, announces the following Students of the Month for April, 2023

Green Team: Toby N. McNulty & Reilly B. Patraiko

Orange Team: Isabel J. Marujo & Belle O. Comorosky

Blue Team: Caden J. Gonsalves & Nathan J. Tobin

Red Team: Nathanael K. Bushnell & Bridget G.

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Exploratory Team: Benjamin A. Graham & Luke C. Pierre

### ORRHS Senior Class Events

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Class Events Schedule is as follows:

**May 30:** Senior Prom 6:30 pm – 10:00 pm

**June 1:** Senior Awards Night 6:30 pm

**June 3:** Senior Assembly 9:00 am

**June 3:** Senior parade 6:15 pm

**June 4:** Graduation 12:00 pm

### Mattapoisett Library Leave No Trace Workshop

Bob Sirhal, Rhode Island's Leave No Trace State Advocate, will provide a free orientation on Tuesday, **May 23** at 6:00 pm in the Community Room of the Mattapoisett Free Public Library, 7 Barstow Street. This program is a joint effort of the Mattapoisett Land Trust and the Mattapoisett Sustainability Partnership. Registration is necessary to participate and is available on the library's events calendar at [mattapoisettlibrary.org](http://mattapoisettlibrary.org). Sirhal will present the seven principles of the Leave No Trace philosophy and discuss how to lessen human impacts on the environment and nature trails. Materials and handouts will be provided.

The Mattapoisett Land Trust is a nonprofit organization dedicated to acquiring and preserving natural resources and wildlife areas in Mattapoisett for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations, educating the public about the wise use of natural resources and collaborating with other organizations that have similar goals. Learn more about the Land Trust at [mattlandtrust.org](http://mattlandtrust.org).

The Mattapoisett Sustainability Partnership is a group dedicated to promoting sustainable living in the community. Meetings are typically the first Saturday of the month at 10 am; schedules are subject to change so check the library's events calendar for updated information. To be a part of this group, stop in for a meeting or email [mfpl@sailsinc.org](mailto:mfpl@sailsinc.org) to get details.

For more information about this event or to register, call the library at 508.758.4171 or email to [jjones@sailsinc.org](mailto:jjones@sailsinc.org). Check the library's events calendar at [mattapoisettlibrary.org](http://mattapoisettlibrary.org) for more upcoming programs and book discussions.

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# TriTOWN HAPPENINGS



Mattapoisett Police Officer Adalberto Cardoso Jr. helps teach the new soon-to-be parents Trevor and Sarah Oldham how to properly and safely install and use their infant car seat for their little one due in four weeks. Submitted by Betsey Oldham



New Bedford Ballet's performance of "The Snow Queen" is guaranteed to melt any remaining memories of this year's bitter winter and warm your heart as you prepare to embrace the summer months. Inspired by Hans Christian Andersen's 19th century fairy tale, New Bedford Ballet's 37th annual full-length ballet will be performed at the Zeiterion Theatre on Saturday, June 10, at 2:00 pm and 8:00 pm. From left, standing: Madeleine Hunt (Mattapoisett), Summer Richardson (Mattapoisett), and Anna Murray (Marion); Kneeling: Allison Root (Mattapoisett) and Grace Rousseau (Mattapoisett); Sitting: Gabriel Coughlin (Rochester). Photo courtesy of New Bedford Ballet



Old Rochester Regional Marine Biology students got hands-on, field experience working with scientists at Nantucket's Shellfish Hatchery and the UMass Boston Field Station during Monday's field trip with the Mattapoisett Land Trust. Photos by Mick Colageo and Tom Friedman



Randy Parker and Toby Burr, pictured with Gabe Ditata, are among area select board members who have given visible support to Coastline Elderly Services and the meals the organization serves to older adults every weekday in recognition of Older Americans Month this May. Photo courtesy of Coastline

These photos and more are available online at [www.wanderer.com](http://www.wanderer.com)



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### Marion Memorial Day Events

The 2023 Memorial Day Remembrances and Procession will take place on Monday, **May 29** starting at 9:00 am in front of the Music Hall at 164 Front Street. In the event of rain, the event will be relocated to the Multipurpose Room of Sippican Elementary School.

The 2023 procession and remembrances will follow same route as in past years, stepping off from the Music Hall northbound on Front Street, marching 0.6 miles up Front Street to the Veterans' Memorial at Old Landing. Upon arrival at the Veterans' Memorial, the town will pay tribute to our military's "honored dead" who "gave the last full measure of devotion".

The procession and remembrances will feature



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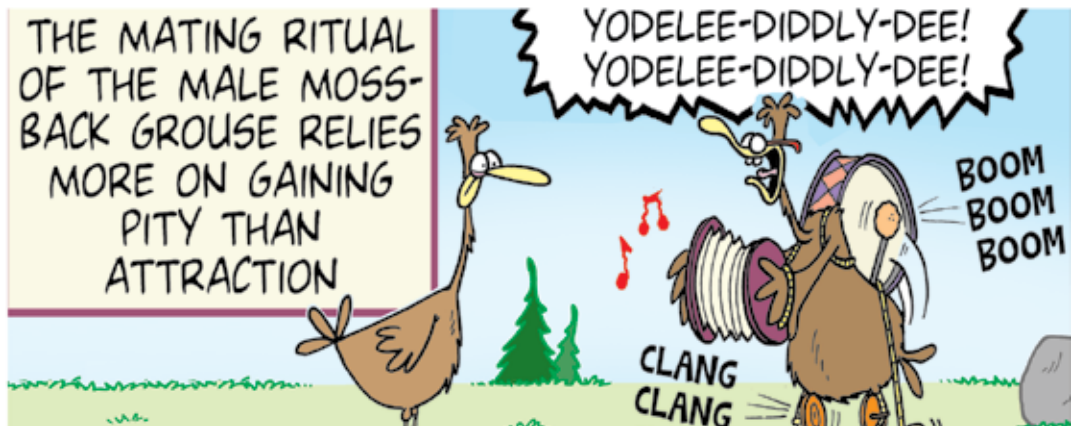
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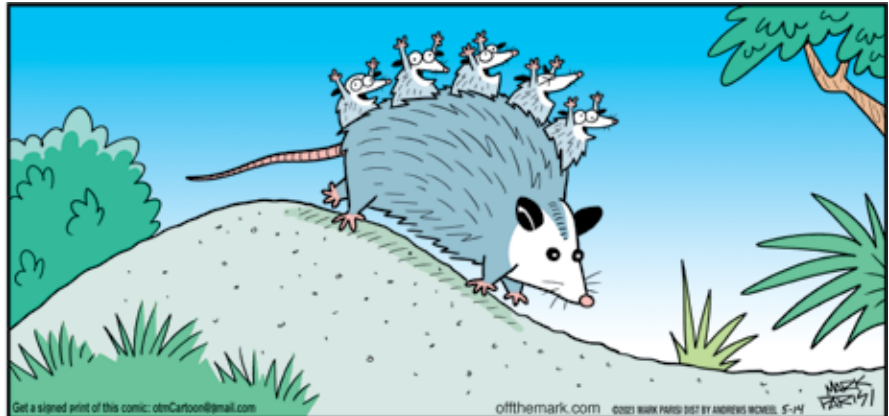




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## Amber Waves

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the Sippican School Marching Band led by director Hannah Moore as well as The Portuguese American Band. The ceremony will conclude with members of the Select Board laying a wreath at the Veterans' Memorial. The master of ceremonies for the event will be Major Andrew Bonney of the US Air Force.

The featured speaker is Major Christopher Bonzagni of the U.S. Air Force. Major Bonzagni grew up in southern Massachusetts and enlisted in the United States Marine Corps Reserve in 2005 as an infantryman, deploying twice in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom in 2006 and 2008, which deployment included more than 50 combat patrols and multiple high-value target captures. In 2011 Major Bonzagni transferred to the Air National Guard as a geospatial intelligence analyst before commissioning in 2014. In his civilian capacity he is the founder and CEO of CB Consulting where he is a national security and technology consultant. Major Bonzagni holds a B.A. in Political Science from Bridgewater State University, from which he graduated summa cum laude and is currently pursuing an MBA from the Isenberg School of Management at the University of Massachusetts at Amherst. Major Bonzagni resides in New Hampshire with his wife and children.

Residents are encouraged to attend the remembrances as well as stand along the parade route on Front Street between Cottage Street and Ryder Lane.

## Marion Trees and Parks Committee

Many streets in Marion have recently experienced heavy tree removal, particularly Converse Road, Front Street and Spring St. Every 10 years or so, Eversource comes through to inspect power lines and remove trees where they think they are in danger of coming down over the wires. Large orange trucks have been doing the work-hard to miss.

The Marion Tree Committee is working to replace some of these lost trees where possible. In some instances, we will need to speak with individual homeowners to see if they are willing to have a tree planted in their yard near the road and away from the power lines. We hope to plant in the fall and Eversource will help with this effort with smaller trees under the wires.

Last year in honor of our 25 years as a Tree City, we raised funds to plant 25 trees within the village area. This year so far, we have planted 13 new trees in Evergreen Cemetery, 7 trees in the newly replanted Childrens Garden between the school and library and donated 4 more trees to the COA for their walking path.

If you have any questions, please contact Margie Baldwin, chair of The Marion Trees and Parks Committee-508 748-2080

## Coastline Meals Programs Earn Support

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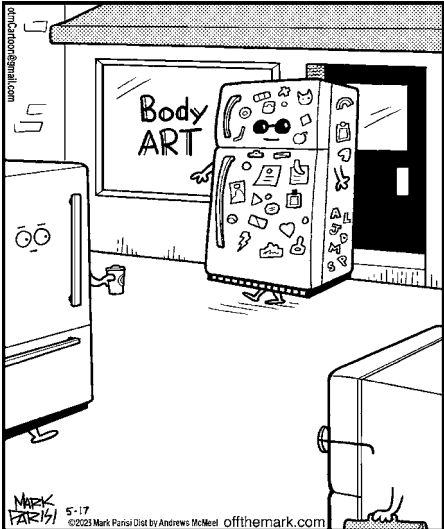
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<p><b>TOWN OF ROCHESTER ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING #1150</b></p> <p>Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Five O'Clock Farm, LLC for property located at 66 Burgess Avenue, identified on Assessor's Map 15, Lot 19D, for a Special Permit under Chapter 20.40, Section F.6, (formerly Section VIII.D.6.), to operate a commercial equine operation. This is a remand hearing pursuant to Land Court Case No. 20 MISC 000507 (DRR).</p> <p>The public hearing will be on May 25, 2023 at 7:00 pm at Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way in Rochester, MA. David Arancio, Chairman 5/11, 5/18</p> <hr/> <p><b>TOWN OF ROCHESTER SELECT BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</b></p> <p>In accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 138, Section 19B(n), notice is hereby given that the Town of Rochester Select Board will hold a public hearing on Monday, June 5th, 2023, at 6:05 pm, upon the request of A &amp; M Winery, located at 308 New Bedford Road, Rochester, Massachusetts 02770, to consider its application for approval of a new Farmer Winery Pouring Permit under § 19B(n) at said property. The public hearing will be conducted via in person at the Rochester Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way Rochester MA, as well as via Zoom, per and in accordance with the Governor's Order Suspending Certain Provisions of the Open Meeting Law, G.L. c. 30A, § 20.</p> <p>Join Zoom Meeting https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82307120736 Meeting ID: 823 0712 0736 One tap mobile +13017158592,,82307120736# US (Washington DC) +13052241968,,82307120736# US Dial by your location +1 301 715 8592 US (Washington DC) +1 305 224 1968 US +1 309 205 3325 US +1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago) +1 646 876 9923 US (New York) Meeting ID: 823 0712 0736 Find your local number: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82307120736 5/18, 5/25</p> <hr/> <p><b>TOWN OF ROCHESTER ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS #1193 NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</b></p> <p>Notice is hereby given that the Zoning Board of Appeals will conduct a public hearing on the petition of Walter Hartley on behalf of Jon and Jaqueline Hartley, for property located at 178 Clapp Road, identified on Assessor's Map 11, Lot 6M, who is seeking a Variance for the minimum required 40 ft. front lot line setback on the construction of a new front porch and stairs to an existing dwelling, under Chapter 20.40, Section D.1., of the Rochester Zoning By-Laws.</p> <p>The public hearing will be on June 8, 2023 at 7:00 pm at Town Hall, 1 Constitution Way in Rochester, MA.</p> <p>Copies of the application are on file at the Building Department, 37 Marion Rd. and can be viewed during normal business hours Monday through Friday. David Arancio, Chairman 5/18, 5/25</p>	<p><b>TOWN OF MARION PLANNING BOARD NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</b></p> <p>To be held at the Marion Police Department Conference Room 550 Mill Street and also available via Zoom (Hybrid Meeting Option)</p> <p>The Marion Planning Board will hold a Public Hearing on Monday June 5, 2023, at 7:05 pm to consider the Special Permit application of James T. &amp; Joyce J. Patten under Sections 230-4.1B, 230-4.2, 230 -7.2, 230 - 7.4C and 230-8.5 of the Zoning By-Laws of the Town of Marion to allow a "Pier (Extension) as an Accessory Use" to a single-family dwelling. The property is located at 83 Holly Road and is identified as Lots 118 &amp; 118 A on Marion Assessor's Map 2.</p> <p>The public is invited to attend and comment on this matter and may inspect the full application at the Town Hall, 2 Spring Street, Office of the Planning Board, Town Clerk during normal business hours. Please call or email Terri Santos during normal business hours for the virtual meeting information: tsantos@marionma.gov or 508-748-3517.</p> <p>Alanna Nelson, Chair Eileen Marum, Clerk 5/18, 5/25</p> <hr/> <p><b>TOWN OF MATTAPOISETT CONSERVATION COMMISSION NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING</b></p> <p>The Mattapoisett Conservation Commission will hold a public hearing on Monday, June 12, 2023 at 6:30 pm in the Town Hall (in person and remotely via Zoom **) on the Request for A Determination of Applicability submitted by Rebecca Fealy of 3 Oliver's Lane, Mattapoisett, MA. The proposed project is to install a full septic system repair, including a septic tank, pump chamber, and leaching field. The project is located at 3 Oliver's Lane, and is further identified as Lot 129 on Assessor Map 11.</p> <p>**Contact concomm@mattapoisett.net for the Zoom Meeting Information. 5/18</p> <hr/> <p><b>off the mark by Mark Parisi</b></p> 	<p><b>Terri Tutors! 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deliver meals to older adults in Marion, Fairhaven and Dartmouth. Like Coastline's regular drivers, they greeted adults on their route by name and handed meals to recipients with a hello and friendly conversation.

After being given her meal by Marion Select Board members Randy Parker and Toby Burr, Marion nonagenarian Marian Treichler, a retired teacher, chatted with the men about the well-being of several town residents and the shops and businesses they operate. Nonagenarian Gabe Ditata also used the delivery opportunity to discuss local issues with the two selectmen, including the motor vehicle traffic near his home.

Both enjoyed the visits and the chance to share and receive local news.

Meals on Wheels is a core Coastline program that supports older adults in living independently by providing nutritious weekday meals and well-being checks. In 2022, Coastline delivered 434,000 meals in seven South Coast communities.

In the past decade, the number of meals Coastline serves has increased 56 percent even as food costs grew by 53 percent. In contrast, federal funding decreased by 2 percent over the same 10-year period from 2013 to 2023. Increases in state funding, while helpful, cover a smaller percentage of program costs and therefore do not make up the financial difference.

Despite the gap, Coastline has made the decision to seek alternative program funding, including fundraising, in order to meet the demand for every older adult who needs meals. Meals are delivered free to recipients with a request for a \$2 per meal donation. While some recipients can afford this donation, most cannot.

"Coastline remains committed to serving meals to those who need them, especially those who are unable to leave their home without difficulty," said Justin Lees, CEO. "We continue to work with the South Coast legislative delegation and other opportunities to improve funding support for this important program."

"This is such a great program to ensure our seniors get nutritional meals with a safety check in,"

said Murphy. "As a Select Board member and president of M.O. Life, I applaud the continuous great work that Coastline is doing."

Murphy praised program drivers for the relationships they create with recipients and the safety checks they make as part of their deliveries. Drivers are not allowed to leave meals on doorsteps or at neighbors' homes and must give them directly to the individual recipient for that reason.

"Even that two minutes of saying hello means, 'Ok, they've come to the door, they're ok,'" Murphy said about that moment of contact.

May is Older Americans Month, a time to celebrate the achievements and gifts of older Americans. This year's theme is Aging Unbound, a topic designed to encourage increased flexibility in thinking about aging and about the benefits when older adults remain engaged, independent, and included, according to the federal Administration for Community Living.

To find out more or to request meal delivery, call Coastline at 508-999-6400.

### From the Files of the Rochester Historical Society By Connie Eshbach

Previously, I wrote about Rochester's Bicentennial which was commemorated on July 22, 1879. This date was chosen because it was 200 yrs. from the signing of the "Sepecan Purchase" in Plymouth. The 200th was a one-day celebration which according to reports of the day was attended by 6000 people.

As years passed, it was once again time to plan a birthday celebration; this time for the town's 250th. There are many interesting differences between the two celebrations. The first being that the 250th anniversary in 1936 was actually 57 years after the 200th. This was because the planners used the date of incorporation, June 4, 1686. This was only one of the differences. Rather than a one-day celebration, there were events on June 4, as well as, July 4 and 5.

While the 200th's activities (speeches and a clam bake) took place in Marion, the events of the 250th were



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spread throughout Rochester, Marion and Mattapoisett. Also, this time more of the key pieces took place in Rochester Center.

In 1935, as the 250th drew close, Town Meeting's moderator, George Cowen, appointed a five-member committee to prepare a "suitable programme of commemoration". As with the Bicentennial, Wareham, Marion and Mattapoisett (Rochester's "daughter towns") also formed committees. Unlike in 1879, there women were given a place on some of the committees. Both Wareham's and Rochester's committees included two women.

The appointed Rochester committee was made up of Mrs. Louise Westgate, Mrs. Marion N. Peirce, Mr. Louis C. LeBaron, Rev. Harry L. Coole and Mr. Sanford Robinson. Planning began in 1935 and originally, there was talk of marching militia and cannons for June 4, but by 1936, the activity for that day was an Antique Exhibit. Pictured here are Mrs. Minnie Fuller, chairman, and Mrs. Alberta H. Gerrish. Many of the items on display dated from the early days of Rochester as did many of the ladies' colonial gowns. There was also a



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On the evening of the 4th, a banquet was held at the Rochester Women's Club. There was music by the Marion and Mattapoisett bands and speeches representing Wareham, Marion and Mattapoisett were given.

The next rounds of birthday events happened on the weekend of July 4th and 5th. On the 4th, there was a parade in Mattapoisett. It began at 9:30 am. There were many floats of all kinds, representing area businesses and organizations and several, bands. Prizes were awarded in different categories.

At 1:00 following the parade, it was back to Rochester's Women's Club for a clambake. Then it was on to Marion for 2:00 swimming and running races at the "Marion Public Bathing Beach". There was also a baseball game between the Wareham and Rochester town teams.

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Deianeira Underhill	May 21
Gavin Fox	May 21
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Jessie Rush	May 22
Kristina Sauerbrey	May 22
Louise Hughes	May 22
Alan 'Papuk' Torren	May 23
Ange King	May 23
Caroline Elaine Upton	May 23
Connor Bailey	May 23
Griffin Dunn	May 23
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Peter See	May 24
Taylor Matthews	May 24



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and a male chorus. The pageant highlighted important events, beginning with Capt. John Church's meeting with the Native American, Queen Awashanks, and moved on to scenes from the arrival of the first settlers, the first meeting in the church, the start of the Revolutionary War, arrival of the stagecoach running between New Bedford and Plymouth, the division of the town and a grand finale with birthday greetings and floral tributes from Wareham, Marion and Mattapoisett. It was said that the audience numbered between 3500 and 4000.

The end of the pageant was not the end of the day's events. It was back to Marion for the 8:15 awarding of prizes for all of the contests. These were given out at the Marion Bandstand before a band concert and the "largest display of fireworks ever seen."

On Sunday, July 5, there was a service at the First Congregational Church of Rochester with seating both in and outside of the church. Following the service, tea and refreshments were provided by the "ladies" of the North Rochester, East Rochester and First Congregational churches.

This is truly just an outline of events. There is even more information in the exhibit at the Rochester Historical Museum. My favorite quotation from the Anniversary Record is how they dealt with the possibility of inclement weather, "They just proceeded to vote, unanimously, that there should be no storm allowed here at all during the celebration of the Rochester Bicentennial."

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### **Rochester Historical Society Event**

We're busy planning our next event. Last year, we did a tour of the oldest third of Rochester Center Cemetery. This year on **June 11** at 1:00, Sue LaFleur and Connie Eshbach will be leading a tour that picks up where we left off last year. We will be meeting people in the middle of the cemetery. We hope to see you there.

### **2023 Rochester Memorial Day Boat and Kayak Race**

The Rochester Fire Department will again sponsor the Rochester Memorial Day Boat Race.

The Rochester Memorial Day Boat Race on the Mattapoisett River will take place on Monday, **May 29**, starting at 8:30 am at Grandma Hartley's Reservoir, Snipatuit Road, in Rochester and finishing at the Mattapoisett Herring Weir at River RD and Route 6.

A Kayak Division will be included in the race this year. Basic guidelines for the division are: minimum age 18, single person kayak that the contestant can sit inside of the cockpit, contestant must wear an approved USCG personal flotation device for the entire race, and there will be a \$10 entry fee. See the rules document for all information pertaining to the kayak division.

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Divisions include the new kayak division and the MRR open/men's, women's, junior boys, junior girls, co-ed and parent/child divisions. Junior division teams are both contestants under 14 years old. Parent/child is for a parent with his/her child (child under 14 years old) or an adult (25 or older) with a child (child under 14 years old.) Trophies will be awarded to the first, second and third place finishers in each division.

Preregistration is required. Only one registration session will be held at the Rochester Council on Aging (RCOA) Senior Center, 67 Dexter's Lane Friday, **May 19**, 6:30 – 8:00. Starting positions will be assigned or drawn after the registration closes. A signed registration form must be submitted by each contestant for a team to be eligible for a starting position. Registration forms and rules may be obtained at Lloyd's Market, at Art's house, 319 Cushman RD or at the registration session. OR email Art ([artbenner@comcast.net](mailto:artbenner@comcast.net)) and request the rules and registration form.

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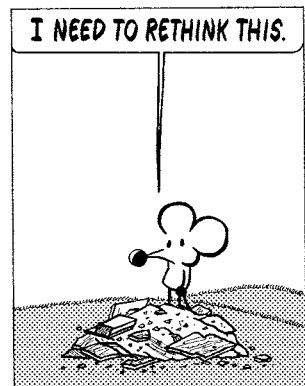
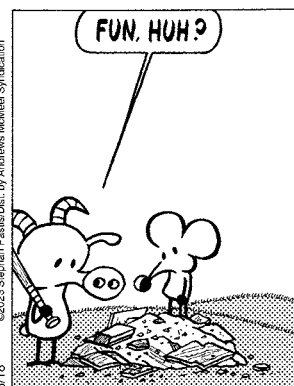
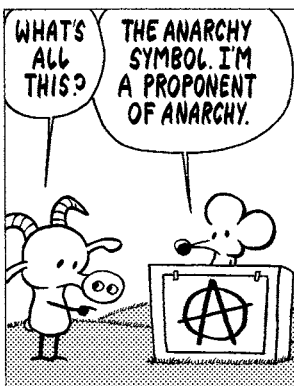
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## PEARLS BEFORE SWINE by Stephan Pastis



but you must bring the original, signed forms, to the registration session or you may return them by regular mail (USPS.) If returned by email or USPS mail, you'll get acknowledgment that they were received. If you don't get a reply from Art, assume the forms were not received and hand deliver a set. Registration forms must be in the Committee's hands by Friday, **May 19**, 8:00 pm in order for last year's teams to be assigned a starting position based on last year's finish position or for new teams to draw a starting position this year. Kayak contestants will draw starting positions after the MRRs.

The traditional Ham and Bean Supper will take place at the RCOA, Senior Center at, 67 Dexter's Lane, Saturday, **May 27**, 5:00 to 7:00 pm. Supper ticket price: adults, \$10.00, children under 12, \$5.00.

There will be raffles for two carbon-fiber racing paddles made by Bill Watling III and a silent auction for two carbon-fiber paddles. And also, a raffle for a multicolor hand-crocheted afghan, made by Cecelia Hall. Tickets will be sold at the registration session and at the Ham & Bean supper. The winners will be drawn at the supper.

For further information contact Boat Race Chairman, Arthur F. Benner, 508-763-2024 or email: artbenner@comcast.net. Check Facebook 'Rochester Memorial Day Boat Race' for updated info.

### Join Our Planter Angel Team

The Marion Garden Group planter boxes are again out and placed about our town. We would love to have your help to help us keep these planters looking their best throughout the summer.

Would you be willing to join our Planter Angel Team?

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planter. We ask that you work with your team to make sure the planter is properly watered, and the planter is always looking its best.

What a great way to get involved in keeping Marion looking beautiful. This would even be a great family project.

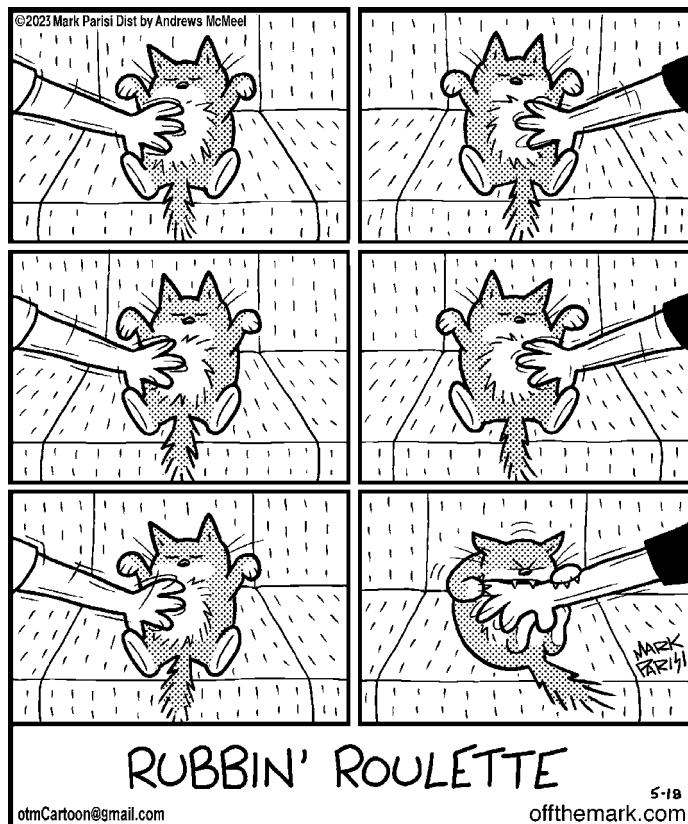
Can you give an hour a week to help keep Marion looking its best? If so, please email us at [mariongardengroup@gmail.com](mailto:mariongardengroup@gmail.com) or call Suzy Taylor at 774-271-0457.

### Mattapoisett Lions Club's Pancake Breakfast

The Mattapoisett Lions Club will be holding a Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, **June 4** at Oxford Creamery, 98 County Road, Mattapoisett from 9:00 to 12:00. Tickets available at Oxford Creamery or by emailing: [mattlionsclub@gmail.com](mailto:mattlionsclub@gmail.com). Tickets will be available at the door on **June 4**, while supplies last. The cost is \$8.00 per person (adults and children) which includes plain or blueberry pancakes, sausages, coffee and juice. All proceeds benefit Mattapoisett Lions Club charities.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS			See past listing on our website: <a href="http://www.wanderer.com">www.wanderer.com</a>		
Buyer(s)	Seller(s)	Address	City	Date	Price
Long Built Homes Inc	Clapp, William D Clapp, Lisa L	Clapp Rd Lot 7-2	Rochester	04/26/2023	190,000.00
Hartley-Matteson, Amy Hartley-Matteson, Jesse	Greenwood, Hartley III Hartley, Sharon L	149 Marion Rd	Rochester	04/27/2023	450,000.00
Francisco, Jeremy P Goodman, Elizabeth G	Demiranda, Manuel Jr Demiranda, Christie M	50 Burgess Ave	Rochester	04/27/2023	605,000.00
Sippican Holdings LLC	Lockheed Martin Sippican Sippican Inc Sippican, Acquisition Corp	13 Barnabas Rd 14 Barnabas Rd Luce Ave Atlantis Dr	Marion	04/27/2023	5,250,000.00
Caldas, Robert J TR Beech Wood NT	Bungert, James A TR Bungert, Roxanne B TR James A Bungert 2000 RT	0 Beech Wood Rd	Mattapoisett	04/28/2023	200,000.00
Frog LLC	Millspaugh, Margaret Est Parker, Virginia M	5 Baker Ln	Mattapoisett	05/01/2023	555,000.00
Seahorse Veterinary Hold	County Road Holdings LLC	91 County Rd	Mattapoisett	05/01/2023	650,000.00
Freitas, Kelly A	Servais, Anita L	273 Snipatuut Rd	Rochester	05/02/2023	360,000.00
Briggs, Sherman	Fisher, Lauren	0 Front St	Marion	05/02/2023	15,000.00





## Local Tides

Day	Date	High		Low	
		a.m.	p.m.	a.m.	p.m.
Thursday	May 18	7:45	8:08	1:46	1:06
Friday	May 19	8:31	8:52	2:28	1:45
Saturday	May 20	9:16	9:36	3:07	2:26
Sunday	May 21	10:01	10:19	3:44	3:10
Monday	May 22	10:46	11:03	4:19	3:54
Tuesday	May 23	11:33	11:49	4:56	4:37
Wednesday	May 24		12:21	5:35	5:23
Thursday	May 25	12:36	1:10	6:20	6:13
Friday	May 26	1:22	1:57	7:15	7:14
Saturday	May 27	2:05	2:43	8:19	8:29
Sunday	May 28	2:49	3:30	9:16	9:44
Monday	May 29	3:37	4:20	10:01	10:44
Tuesday	May 30	4:31	5:11	10:41	11:33
Wednesday	May 31	5:27	6	11:20	
Thursday	June 1	6:19	6:46	12:18	12:01
Friday	June 2	7:09	7:31	1:01	12:40
Saturday	June 3	7:57	8:18	1:46	1:24
Sunday	June 4	8:45	9:06	2:34	2:11

Phases of the Moon	New Moon	May 19th
	First Quarter	May 27th
	Full Moon	June 3rd
	Last Quarter	June 10th

**I Found the Aardvark!**

Each week, hidden somewhere in the pages of *The Wanderer* is a tiny drawing of an aardvark. The little guy you are looking for looks exactly like the one pictured above (but don't put down this page as your answer, there's another one hidden somewhere in this issue).

Once you find the aardvark you can submit your answer on line and if you are right you will get Aardvark Points! You can then use these points to get cool Aardvark Prizes!

To enter visit: [www.wanderer.com](http://www.wanderer.com) and Click on **I Found the Aardvark**

In the May 11, 2023 edition the Aardvark was on page 28

## PUZZLE ANSWERS

### CROSSWORD SOLUTION

B	A	T	H	G	A	T	E	I	S	O	B	A	R	C	U	P	I	D
F	L	O	O	R	W	A	X	S	H	A	R	P	E	A	N	I	M	E
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## SCRAMBLERS

### solution

1. Alive 2. Stupor;  
3. Shove; 4. Amidst

Today's Word  
**SURVIVED**

### Sudoku Answer

4	9	7	1	2	3	5	6	8
6	2	1	5	4	8	3	9	7
5	3	8	6	9	7	1	2	4
2	7	3	8	6	4	9	5	1
9	5	6	7	1	2	4	8	3
1	8	4	3	5	9	2	7	6
3	1	5	2	7	6	8	4	9
8	6	9	4	3	5	7	1	2
7	4	2	9	8	1	6	3	5

off the mark by Mark Parisi





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Irish Potato Crisps ..... **\$3<sup>99</sup>**  
Firehook - 5.5 oz. Selected **\$4<sup>99</sup>**  
Crackers ..... **\$4<sup>99</sup>**  
Green Mountain Gringo - 8 oz.  
Original Tortilla Strips ..... **2/\$5**  
Green Mountain Gringo  
16 oz. Selected **\$4<sup>99</sup>**  
Salsa ..... **\$4<sup>99</sup>**  
Hellmann's - 15-30 oz. Selected **\$5<sup>99</sup>**  
Mayonnaise ..... **\$5<sup>99</sup>**  
French's - 20 oz. **2/\$6**  
Yellow Mustard ..... **2/\$6**

A.I. - 10 oz. Selected **\$5<sup>99</sup>**  
Steak Sauce ..... **\$5<sup>99</sup>**  
Vlasic - 16-32 oz. Selected **2/\$6**  
Pickles ..... **2/\$6**  
Port City - 8 oz. Selected **\$3<sup>49</sup>**  
Pretzels ..... **\$3<sup>49</sup>**  
Tate's Bake Shop - 7 oz. Selected **\$4<sup>99</sup>**  
Cookies ..... **\$4<sup>99</sup>**  
Nabisco - 7-8.5 oz. Selected **2/\$6**  
Crackers ..... **2/\$6**  
Newman's Own - 59 oz. Selected **\$2<sup>99</sup>**  
Drinks ..... **\$2<sup>99</sup>**

### Bakery

Fresh Baked 27 oz. Pkg. **\$6<sup>99</sup>**  
Apple Pie ..... **\$6<sup>99</sup>**  
St. Pierre - 9.5 oz. Pkg. 6 Pack **\$5<sup>99</sup>**  
Brioche Hot Dog Buns ..... **\$5<sup>99</sup>**  
St. Pierre - 7-8.8 oz. 4 ct. Pkg. Selected **\$4<sup>99</sup>**  
Brioche Burger Buns ..... **\$4<sup>99</sup>**

## Meat, Deli, Prepared Foods & Cheese

Premium, Baby Back  
Pork  
Spare Ribs  
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lb



Boar's Head - Deli Sliced  
Cracked Pepper Mill® **\$11<sup>99</sup>**  
Smoked Turkey Breast ..... **\$11<sup>99</sup>**  
Boar's Head - Deli Sliced **\$10<sup>99</sup>**  
Imported Swiss Cheese ..... **\$10<sup>99</sup>**  
lb

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Chicken Thighs ..... **\$6<sup>49</sup>**  
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Bacon ..... **\$8<sup>99</sup>**  
Boar's Head - 6 oz. Pouch **\$3<sup>49</sup>**  
Pepperoni ..... **\$3<sup>49</sup>**  
Store Packaged **\$5<sup>99</sup>**  
Four Bean Salad ..... **\$5<sup>99</sup>**  
President - 8 oz. Selected **\$5<sup>99</sup>**  
Pub Cheese ..... **\$5<sup>99</sup>**  
Cedar's - 16 oz. Selected **\$4<sup>99</sup>**  
Hommus ..... **\$4<sup>99</sup>**

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Juice ..... **\$4<sup>49</sup>**  
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